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Secret government guidance aims at plugging pay loopholes

nfidential government document sent to officials ed in pay talks aims to prevent attempts to breach the ent guideline. It makes clear that only British Leyland allowed a waiver of the 12-month rule and that parties be "discouraged" from thinking they might be cases. Referring to 1978-79 payments offset against the next round, the document points to consideration of a fifth round. As the document was being circulated, further confrontation loomed with the rejection by leaders of Vauxhall workers of a pay offer. Ford's strike remained deadlocked and TUC leaders sought talks with ministers to seek a less rigid policy.

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ald Macintyre
Reporter

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he Government goes farther n ever before in showing that it is *actively considering* a fifth phase of incomes policy. The document refers to *offsetting* certain payments during the 1978-79 round against the "settlement for the next round". In another passage, referring to the 1979-80 period it mentions "any pay policy then applying".

The tough tone of the Government's approach is further illustrated by the instruction *that if departments are forced* to bring candidates for "special case" treatment before the official committee on pay, they *should do so as early* as possible "but without giving the parties concerned any indication that they are possible candidates".

If parties in negotiations demand to see ministers personally the matter will first be referred to the official committee, which will then inform the appropriate ministers.

Departments are further instructed to discourage actively "re-opener" clauses in threshold agreements, which allow *the parties to review pay* during a round in which there has *been an increase*.

Out-of-pocket expenses allowances may be increased according to the rise in costs, but any improvement in real terms must be offset against the annual wage increase. Only employee share schemes up to the level of £500, as allowed for preferential treatment under the 1978 Finance Act, may be implemented outside the guidelines.

While the proposals in the note can be described, officials are told, as the "current official line of interpretation" on any particular point, they should not be "reproduced" as blanket guidance in case ministers are prevented from *using their discretion in cases* that "are not foreseen".

The fact that the Government hopes to enforce the policy *even more rigorously* than last year is illustrated by the fact that several of the note's criteria were breached during the last pay round.

Departments are, for example, exhorted to maintain constant vigilance to ensure that productivity payments are genuinely self-financing and that the increases are justified by output. "Lead in" payments made in advance, in return for a future increase in output are outside the policy, the document emphasizes.

Although the guidance will be principally used by the Department of Employment's own officials, the note is understood to have been sent to other departments.

As sponsoring departments, *other ministries are responsible* both for public sector negotiations including those for nationalized industries and local authorities, and in some cases private sector negotiations as well.

The Department of Transport was responsible in the last round, for example, for the oil tanker drivers, who achieved a clear forward commitment for an increase in overtime earnings *from next November*.

Ronald Butt, page 14



Sir Terence Beckett, chairman of Ford of Britain, speaking in London yesterday.

Ford chairman says unions broke solemn promises on agreement

By John Young

There is no way that one individual company can overcome the difficulties of the whole nation, Sir Terence Beckett, chairman of Ford of Britain, said yesterday, the third day of the strike that has closed all Ford's 23 plants in Britain and Northern Ireland.

"We are trying by our investments, by our total dedication, by everything that we put into this business to make *our contribution to the economy*. But in the end we do *depend on the economy and* society in providing us with an *environment in which we can* operate".

Sir Terence was answering questions after delivering a paper to the World Planning Congress in London. As expected, he omitted a section of the text supplied in advance, in which he was to have criticized restrictions on prices, profits and wages.

He suggested that the solution to the strike lay with the Government because it was a strike against the Government. *It depended on something* wider than Ford.

But he repeated his previous criticism of the unions for breaking what he called "solemn promises". The very fabric of society was threatened unless undertakings were honoured, he said.

"We have got an agreement that we have signed with the unions that still has one month to go", he said. "The Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers have officially recognized the strike in spite of the fact that we have one month to go on a solemn agreement."

Sir Terence denied that there was no element of free collective bargaining over pay. Union delegates had refused to talk about a productivity deal.

But Ford did conduct a close dialogue with the Government. Sir Terence said that the company had gained considerably from that dialogue and he knew that the same applied to the Government.

Claim queried: Mr Ronald Todd, Ford's chief union negotiator, called on the company yesterday to prove its claim that its British workers produced fewer cars than their Continental counterparts (the Press Association writes).

He said the unions had asked *for details about pay, conditions*, profitability, manning levels and investment in Ford's European factories before their recent wage application. But they had been refused.

Mr Todd said the company did not hesitate to provide data on European achievement of production and he again asked the company: "Prove it. Give us the figures on Ford's European operations, not just the company's interpretation."

Offer rejected: Union leaders representing 26,000 Vauxhall workers last night rejected a pay offer from the management, having submitted a claim thought to approach the demand by Ford workers for a 25 per cent rise (our Business News Staff writes).

After the meeting the union side said there would be no immediate strike action. They will be *reporting to meetings* at the three Vauxhall plants today.

It is thought that apart from the increase in basic rates of well above 5 per cent, the unions want a reduction in the working week and a holiday bonus.

Mr Geoffrey Moore, Vauxhall's personnel director, though declining to give details, said the company's offer was based more on its ability to pay than on the Government's 5 per cent pay guideline.

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TUC seeks talks with Cabinet

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

Trade union leaders are seeking an early meeting with the Government in a last-minute effort to dissuade ministers from implementing their rigid 5 per cent limit on wage rises this winter. Talks at the highest level are expected after next week's Labour Party conference.

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, disclosed the unions' forthcoming approach to the Cabinet after yesterday's meeting of the TUC *General Council. He hoped that* ministers would examine carefully the "*very cogent arguments*" put forward by unions at the Trades Union Congress earlier this month for a "*more relaxed approach*" by the Government to collective bargaining.

The Ford dispute was not discussed at the general council meeting, but the issues of principle it has raised lie behind the TUC initiative. The implications of a long strike at the Ford plants were accentuated by a decision of Merseyside dockers to give full support to the strikers by blacking all Ford products.

Mr Dennis Kelley, chairman of the Liverpool port shop stewards' committee, said: "They requested us to black all Ford products and we agreed.

"We are lending our support because we cannot understand the attitude of Ford management. The Ford workers had increased productivity and made money for the company, so there is no reason why they should not be given more money".

The move to widen the impact of the Ford dispute lends added urgency to the TUC initiative. Mr Murray said yesterday that if the Cabinet maintained its stand on the 5 per cent policy, it would preserve the rigidity already evident in pay bargaining. "I do not think that would be helpful in terms of general talks."

Protest at Knesset during vote turns into a mourning wake

From Michael Knipe
Jerusalem, Sept 27

With the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, set fair to endorse later tonight the Camp David agreements and thus the liquidation of the Jewish settlements in Sinai, dissident elements have begun concentrating their campaign on the need for Israel to consolidate and retain the Jewish settlements on the occupied West Bank and the Golan Heights.

There is widespread concern here that, in spite of the Government's assurances to the contrary, the removal of the Sinai settlements may be *regarded as a precedent* for the other occupied territories.

As the crucial debate proceeded in the Knesset virtually all opposition came from the ranks of the ruling coalition. Outside, a crowd of about 1,000 maintained a vigil.

With a vote in favour of the accords all but a foregone conclusion, the demonstration assumed the atmosphere of a mourning wake.

If only because of the symbolic implications, the prospect of abandoning the Sinai settlements disturbs most Israelis.

The demonstrators—mostly religious Jews who had come with their families from rural settlements—sang songs of protest and patriotism and indulged in folk dancing. Others devoted themselves to public prayer.

Although the crowd was relatively small the display of emotion struck a responsive chord across the nation.

In the Knesset, the vote was not expected until late but estimates suggested that there would be at least 80 of the 120 members in favour of ratifying the accords—44 from the ruling coalition and 36 from the opposition Labour Party.

Mr Begin, the Prime Minister, told the Cabinet he would resign if a majority of the ruling coalition did not support him. With five expected to vote against and five others to abstain, he made it clear he would have little sympathy with erstwhile supporters who registered dissent.

The acrimony within the Prime Minister's Herut faction of the ruling Likud party was intense. One member, Professor Josef Rom, accused Mr Begin of abandoning the movement's ideals and making an agreement that resembled that of Neville Chamberlain at Munich in 1938.

Mr Moshe Shamir, of Laam, one of the five factions making up the Likud, and another old ally from the days of the pre-state underground, launched a bitter attack during the debate.

"I have no faith in you, Mr Prime Minister", he cried emotionally. "I have no faith in your path."

In his campaign to win the Knesset's endorsement of the agreements, Mr Begin was at pains at private meetings to *impress upon the dissidents and* waverers that the Jewish settlements in the West Bank and Golan Heights could not be regarded in the same light as those in the Sinai.

He told the Knesset's foreign affairs defence committee and the Likud's parliamentary caucus that the West Bank and *Golan Heights* settlements would be expanded.

Explaining in detail how a determined effort had been made at Camp David to keep the Sinai settlements, he said: "I believed that peace was more vital for Israel than the *retention of the Sinai settlements* and I was and still am ready to accept the responsibility for acting according to that belief."

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Owen pledge of 1,000 men for UN force

From Michael Lepman
New York, Sept 27

Britain will henceforth keep up to 1,000 troops available to join any United Nations peacekeeping force at a week's notice, Dr David Owen, the Foreign Secretary, promised today. He made the commitment—the firmest ever made by any country to United Nations peacekeeping—in a speech to the General Assembly.

The speech made no mention of any specific area of operation *for the force*, but at a briefing beforehand, Dr Owen emphasized that it would be available for action in Rhodesia if the United Nations should be required to supervise transitional arrangements to independence and majority rule there. This is a reversal of British policy, which was to avoid the commitment of British troops in Rhodesia, even as part of a United Nations force.

Dr Owen said the force, which would be available "if requested and subject to national commitments and *exigencies*", would *consist* of a infantry battalion group or Royal Marine commando group. The initial commitment is for up to six months.

The Foreign Secretary devoted much of his speech to Rhodesia. He seemed quite optimistic that negotiations could be resumed with the parties on the basis of the *Anglo-American proposals*. However, he said that no *promise from the parties* had been received to attend new talks. His optimism was based on his view of recent events, particularly the escalation of

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Senate votes for Carter energy plan

From David Cross
Washington, Sept 27

The Senate today broke the long stalemate over President Carter's energy programme by approving a compromise that will lift federal controls on natural gas prices by the mid-1980s.

This clears the way for the House of Representatives to consider the draft legislation *within a few days*. The House will wait until the Senate also formally approves other less controversial aspects of the energy programme.

Under the compromise new gas prices would rise gradually by about 10 per cent a year over the next seven years and federal controls would then be lifted. Either the President or Congress could reimpose controls for a single 18-month period if prices rose too steeply after 1985.

The Natural Gas Bill is the centrepiece of the Administration's energy programme and its approval should help the dollar.

Delighted by the Senate vote, Mr Carter later said he expected it would now give the country "a comprehensive and viable energy policy".

Russia goes to work in space on a quail's egg

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, Sept 27

A Soviet satellite is soon to be launched containing Japanese quails' eggs which will be artificially incubated and timed to hatch immediately on return to Earth.

The Russians announced this is a newspaper article today but at the same time denied Western speculation that they are planning the birth of a human baby in space. Professor Heinz Kaminsky, from the Bochum Observatory in West Germany, recently forecast that a pair of Soviet cosmonauts will stay up in space for nine months until a baby is born.

Such an experiment, an article in *Literaturnaya Gazeta* said, was many years away. However, it admitted that the Russians are indeed hoping to achieve a human birth in space in the future. Formidable obstacles had first to be overcome, the paper said.

One of these was the effect of prolonged weightlessness on the development of the embryo. It is to study this question that the quails' eggs will be launched into space and studied at all stages of their development.

Quails were chosen because they would be suitable as a source of food on long space flights.

Professor Nikolai Gurovsky, head of the Soviet Health Ministry's space medicine board, told *Literaturnaya Gazeta* that no one was yet sure of the effects of prolonged weightlessness and the body's adaptation to it.

The cosmonauts who have just broken the record for space endurance, Commander Vladimir Kovalyonok and Mr Alexander Ivanchenkov, have been up for just over 100 days. But a flight of at least 10 months was needed before the question could be answered, Professor Gurovsky said.

Other problems include the loss of bone calcium during long flights and how much exercise was needed to keep cosmonauts healthy. He said he hoped the Soviet pair now in orbit would be able to provide some of the answers.

Another difficulty came from solar radiation. This year the Sun had been fairly quiescent, Professor Gurovsky said, and cosmonauts had suffered no harmful radiation.

But increased activity could lead to greater radiation and in long flights the effects of even small doses would accumulate.

Soviet scientists had found that readaptation to Earth was difficult after long flights. A person's natural immunity to disease was reduced, especially if he had been in isolation. Returning Cosmonauts were more prone to illness than other people and had to be isolated for some time afterwards.

All this, the article in *Literaturnaya Gazeta* said, meant that human birth in space was still a long way off. However, the author added: "The tempo of space research is so quick that I cannot rule out that the day will come when the first citizen of the Earth will have written in his birth certificate: Place of birth—Space."

ut-price sale of Britain's utter mountain

e equivalent of two or three weeks' consumption of butter in Britain, more than 000 tonnes, is to be sold cheaply at the d of the year. It is the entire British re of the EEC butter mountain and ices may be cut by almost a third. The e will be subsidized out of Community nds and ministers have yet to decide ether the subsidy will be 10p or 21½p a und Page 2

Nuclear fuel conflict

cisions by Britain and France to build ants for reprocessing spent nuclear fuels nflict with United States non-proliferan policies, M Victor Gilinsky, Comissioner of the United States Nuclear egulatory Commission, said at a nuclear el cycle conference in London. Heavy nancial investments depend on how the nited States handles its dilemma Page 2

Chinese accuse Hanoi

he Chinese are accusing the Vietnamese f intensifying war preparations along eir common border, *after a similar accu*sation against China from Hanoi. The full *hinese delegation to the Hanoi talks on* he future of ethnic Chinese in Vietnam as now left for home Page 6

Liverpool go out

Nottingham Forest ended Liverpool's eign as European champions by holding em to a goalless draw in the second eg at Anfield to win 2—0 on aggregate. Of the other 13 British clubs involved in European competitions, only four failed to go through Page 12

White House concern over inflation trends

European officials in Washington are impressed at the concern being shown by the White House at the present trends in inflation and the value of the dollar. President Carter appears willing to accept a rise in unemployment to combat inflation in 1979 Page 19

Questioning of suspects

An apparent conflict of opinion between senior detectives and the Metropolitan Police Commissioner has emerged at the superintendents' association conference. A Flying Squad officer said no statutory time limit should be set for questioning suspects but the commissioner has suggested a maximum of 72 hours Page 2

Labour conference

Discussions on the future election of Labour leaders and the reselection of MPs, traditionally held in private session at party conferences, may be held in public in Blackpool next week if a recommendation by the national executive committee is accepted Page 4

Paris joins arms talks

After an absence of 17 years, France is to rejoin the Geneva disarmament talks. President Giscard d'Estaing said the formation of a new United Nations disarmament committee answered some of France's objections to the old system, which it considered too dominated by the superpowers Page 6

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Mr Steel to visit Rhodesia after Callaghan briefing

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party, intends to visit Rhodesia at the turn of the year. That emerged after his meeting yesterday with Mr James Callaghan, the Prime Minister, when southern Africa was the main topic.

At today's Cabinet meeting a formal decision is probable on the kind of inquiry the Government will set up into Rhodesia oil sanctions-breaking.

Mr Steel has urged the Government to set up a tribunal, arguing that a full political accounting by ministers involved is more important than the prosecution of a few oil company executives and government officials. It seems that many in the Cabinet, perhaps a majority, favour an inquiry by parliamentary select committee, but the Prime Minister's own preference is not known.

Mr Steel is to visit Rhodesia, Zambia and perhaps Tanzania after spending a Christmas holiday in Kenya where he has an old friend in the newly elected president, Mr Daniel Moi. He sought yesterday's meeting to obtain a briefing on the southern Africa crises.

However, it would have been surprising if the whole hour had been taken up with Africa. The meeting, planned last August as a pre-election consultation was their first opportunity to review the Prime Minister's decision not to hold an autumn election.

The fact that—so it is said—Mr Callaghan made no attempt to try reviving the Lib-Lab pact indicates that he is confident of sufficient support from other minor parties to survive until the spring.

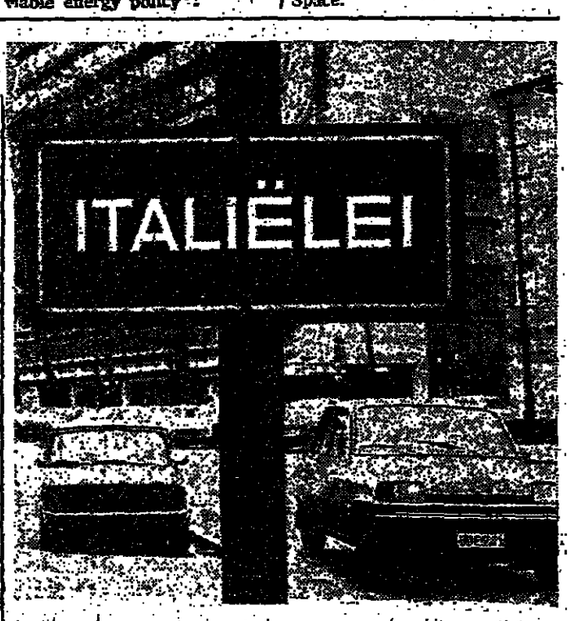
What arrangements Mr Callaghan and his colleagues have made with either Scottish National Party MPs or Ulster Unionist MPs are among the better kept secrets. But it was also undisclosed until recently that Mr Callaghan had made contact with the Ulster Unionists last year before he secured his pack with the Liberals.

It would also be surprising if the two men had not discussed the Ford strike. In Whitehall it was emphasized that there had been no approach to the Prime Minister by Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, who had earlier spoken of seeking a meeting on pay policy.

Dispute halts programme

By a Staff Reporter

Industrial action over a pay grievance led to the cancellation of *The Money Programme* on BBC 2 last night. The Association of Broadcasting and Allied Staffs, the union concerned, gave official recognition to the dispute yesterday. The programme was cancelled after a studio sound supervisor complied with an order forbidding members to work more than 42 hours in one week.



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HOME NEWS

British and French nuclear waste projects 'put US in a box' over its non-proliferation policy

By Kenneth Owen
Technology Correspondent

Basic conflicts between United States and European (including British) policies on fuel reprocessing in the context of nuclear proliferation were emphasized yesterday in London by Mr Victor Gilinsky, Commissioner of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Speaking at a nucuear fuel cycle conference organized by the Atomic Industrial Forum and the British Nuclear Forum, Mr Gilinsky said: "Europe and the United States have parted company on the question of reprocessing spent fuel from nuclear power reactors, particularly as it applies to separation and export of plutonium.

"The decisions to proceed with the construction of new plants at Windscale in Britain and La Hague in France to provide this service for non-nuclear-weapon countries run counter to the United States conviction that restricting separation and trade in plutonium is essential, at least until more effective controls cen be devised."

During the period afrer announcements by presidents Ford and Carter of new United States policy on plutonium separation, and in some cases after the passage of the new law early this year, the Europeans entered into several export reprocessing contracts, Mr Gilinsky added. "These actions, to put it bluntly, have put the United States in a box.

"It can now attempt to be consistent with its non-proliferation policy by refusing to assent to the transfer of spent fuel to the European plants, thereby pulling the rug from under its close allies and friends; or it can accept defeat in its efforts to control reprocessing and the widespread use of plutonium before adequate protection is in place; or it can take a middle course, extending permission, for example, to transfer spent fuel in certain cases to the European reprocessing plants but placing strict conditions on the eventual return of plutonium.

"The most interesting question in nuclear energy policy today is how the United States will deal with its dilemma."

It was clear that heavy financial investments rode on the outcome. Over the next decade Windscale was scheduled to receive 1,600 metric tonnes of spent fuel from Japan; a similar amount was expected to come in from Europe.

La Hague was reported to have contracts with Japan, We have contracts with Japan, West Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland and Austria to process about 6,000 tonnes of spent fuel.

"In security terms, this adds up to the separation of perhaps 75 tons of plutonium, or, if you will forgive an over-simplification, enough for about 10,000 nuclear weapons. In commercial terms, when transport charges are included, the European contracts are said to represent almost $3,000m in business."

The political might of those commercial investments was bound to influence the issue of control.

There is no getting round the fact that plutonium (as is highly enriched uranium) is the primary component in a terrifying and destructive weapon. We have to accept the fact that we cannot put the plutonium we plan to separate into the stream of commerce until a fail-safe mechanism can be devised.

The rules have to be strict, unalterable, uniform and universal. There cannot be one set of rules for those inside the club and another for those outside. For one thing there are too many clubs: the nuclear weapons states; the nuclear supplier states; the potential supplier states; and the states newly arrived at political power.

Sir Hermann Bondi, Chief Scientist at the Department of Energy, recalled that recognition of the importance that the spread of civil nuclear power should not aid the proliferation of nuclear weapons had led to the formation of the International Atomic Energy Agency. But the imminent growth of the use of civil nuclear power through many parts of the world would put the IAEA system under strain as never before. The dangers were becoming more pressing and greater every day and the need for reinforcement of the system was urgent.

One of the dangers to be avoided was simplistic solutions, Sir Hermann said. The dangers of the nuclear fuel cycle did not stem only from one part of it, nor could they be controlled by a simple ban on one aspect of it. He had serious doubts about the validity and efficiency of the measures proposed by President Carter 18 months ago.

Over-concentration on the undoubted dangers presented by plutonium might divert attention from the equally real dangers of other parts of the fuel cycle, notably enrichment and stores of spent fuel elements.

Secondly, the desirability of reprocessing and of the use of reprocessing material was bound to be judged differently by different countries.

Attention should not be distracted from the need to control and safeguard the spread of enrichment technology, and to safeguard as best as might be possible the growing store of spent fuel elements with their content of plutonium

Police views differ on detaining suspects

From Arthur Osman
Blackpool

An apparent difference of opinion in the Metropolitan Police between Sir David McNee, the Commissioner, and senior detective officers emerged yesterday at the conference in Blackpool of the Police Superintendents' Association of England and Wales.

It arose in a discussion on a paper about the questioning of suspects and the association's submission to the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure, particularly relating to section 38 of the Magistrates' Courts Act concerning detention for questioning.

Det Supt Philip Corbett, of the Flying Squad, based in north London, disclosed that he was responsible for five so-called "super-grasses" (informers' who, he said, were contributing enormously to the detection and suppression of armed robberies, of which 938 involved the use of firearms in London last year.

He said it was expected that hundreds of offences would be solved with the help of their information. If ever a statutory time limit was set on their interrogation the police would never arrive at that result.

Police interrogators had been able to build up a communication with the men and an understanding of how their minds worked with the knowledge of their backgrounds. What could not be done overnight, or in a matter of hours, or a few days.

He said: "Some of our people have been with us up to nine days without any complaint." There had been no question of solicitors being requested under habeus corpus and he added: "So far no one has yet interfered with us in this respect, which is quite remarkable."

If anything, the only thing the police had done was to "kill them with kindness, they have been treated as human beings. There must be no statutory time-limit on the length of time men like this spend with us particularly on more serious crimes."

It seemed that Mr Corbett's remarks were to some extent at odds with the views of Sir David McNee who, in his own submission to the royal commission, talked of 72 hours as the maximum period during which a suspect should be detained. It has been thought that Sir David suggested that period in the knowledge that the royal commission intended to lay down a specific time-scale governing detention, and that 72 hours formed the basis of a bargaining position.

But from yesterday's debate, the superintendents' association wants the present regulations to remain unchanged in the belief that there was no need for a big change in police powers of arrest, search and interrogation.

In a discussion paper, Det Supt Frank Taylor, of Greater Manchester police, said he considered that the restrictions and curbs placed on the police when questioning suspects hampered and frustrated the investigator in his search for the truth probably more than any other single factor.

"It seems incredible", he said, "that at a time when the nation is confronted by what some refer to as a 'crime explosion', there is a voice of opinion recommending changes that would seriously further reduce the effectiveness of questioning suspects.

"What is disturbing is that some of those suggesting change are people whose integrity and professional standing are beyond question. I assume that concern with jurisprudence has led them to overlook the wider issues of what the consequences would be to the nation as a whole. The police service traditionally has never publicly answered criticism or sought to defend itself. Perhaps the reason for this is that so often we are in the middle of opposing factions and we know you cannot please everybody.

"More important, we have always been confident that the majority of the public we serve support us and approve of the way we do our job, so there was no need to justify ourselves publicly when criticized. But we are living in modern times, the days of instant and far-reaching communication, when an individual can gain the ear of the general public no matter how much of a minority viewpoint he might have."

Mr Taylor said the essential search for the truth by an investigator was difficult because our judicial system was not based on a similar concept. "The importance of the interrogation of suspects is such that any additional restriction or obligation placed on the investigator would be directly reflected in the number of crimes cleared up. If police questioning was further limited to any great extent, only those caught in the act and those who confessed for reasons of conscience are going to be convicted in the courts."

Bank sta ballot or a Christ strike

By Christopher Tho
Labour Reporter

The prospect of disruption of bank England and Wales yesterday as plans for a selective employees for a December 22, the la day before the holid

The National Unic Employees (Nube) convene an immedia 16,000 members Manchester, Leeds a The result will whether all 65,000 n English clearing bar called out. It should by the end of ne Union officials appe dent last night tha would be overwhel action.

Nube, which ar banks should close December 22, repres a third of Englis bank staff. A sligh number is represent non-TUC staff as which are still negoti managements for Christmas break.

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Four-week-old capybaras, which are the largest living rodents, taking a stroll in the sun at Kilverstone Wildlife Park, Thetford, Norfolk, yesterday.

Businessman freed from Soviet jail

By Michael Horsnell

Foreign Office officials were waiting last night for moves from Moscow on the possible return to Britain of Mr Nikolai Shcharegin, the London businessman who has just ended a 10-year prison sentence in Russia.

Fresh controversy about Mr Shcharegin's past and circumstances leading to his arrest in 1968 meanwhile arose in diplomatic circles.

The Russians say that the Ukrainian-born Mr Shcharegin, who came to Britain in 1948, is a defector who changed his name from Nikolai Budelak after deserting from the Red Army the year before. Yesterday, his former employers in London said that unknown to them he may have established another identity in Britain.

Mr Shcharegin, aged 52, returned to his native country in 1968 as an electronics' salesman representing his company of export agents, Empexion. He was arrested within days and held for 15 months before being tried for treason.

Mr Ian Page, the company's managing director, said: "It was idiotic that he went to a country he defected from. I have no idea why he did it. But we had no idea of his background at the time. If we had known I might not have employed him, and I certainly would not have considered sending him to Moscow.

"He did not have a British passport, but he had travel documents issued by the British Government. They facilitated his visa easily. I do not know whether he may have travelled under an assumed name.

"We always knew him as Shcharegin. He was a pratical man, cheerful, industrious and friendly. He wants to come back but I do not know if he can. We would take him back if his health is up to it."

At the time of his arrest the Foreign Office said it was impossible to intervene because he had never applied for citizenship. According to their files he came to Britain as a stateless person after being released from a Nazi camp in Germany where he had been taken as a teenager from his native Ukraine.

Before his disappearance he lived with his second wife, Tatiana, in Brentford, west London. Mrs Shcharegin visited him in prison three times but from January, 1971, her applications were refused.

Mrs Shcharegin, who led a long campaign to free him, left the family home with their son, Antony. The couple are now divorced.

In 1968 MI5 was reported to be trying to find out if Mr Shcharegin was lured to Russia by KGB agents.

Funeral of newsboy

Police appeals for information in connexion with the killing of Carl Bridgewater, aged 13, the newsboy shot after disturbing burglars at a house in Wordsley, West Midlands, had had a good response, the Rev Arthur Williams, Rector of Holy Trinity, Wordsley, said at the funeral service yesterday.

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UK butter 'mountain' to be sold cheaply

By Hugh Clayton

The entire British share of the EEC butter "mountain" is to be sold at the end of the year at a drastically reduced price, perhaps nearly a third off. The sale will be subsidized from Community funds.

Ministers must decide which of the two subsidy rates to adopt. They are 10p and 21½p a pound, and will not affect the present subsidy on all butter, which now sells at 54p to 68p a pound.

The decision looks like a triumphant assertion of the Government's policy of selling surplus food cheaply to consumers inside the EEC instead of to those in countries outside, such as the Soviet Union. But it was made only after Mr John Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, failed to win agreement in Brussels for another scheme that would have led to a subsidy of 3p a pound on a much larger amount of butter. That amount would not have included the "mountain".

He decided to adopt the 3p scheme after creameries in Holland, Denmark, France, West Germany and the Irish Republic which sell butter in Britain protested that a sudden sale of the butter "mountain" at cut rates would disrupt their businesses.

Mr Silkin brushed their objections aside because the European Commission refused to sanction payment of the 3p scheme on New Zealand butter sold in Britain. Its argument was that New Zealand butter had been subsidized by the British Treasury in the past and that EEC funds could not be used to assist sales of food from outside Europe.

The £500,000 earmarked for sales of cut-price butter in Britain will be spent therefore on subsidizing butter stored under Community rules and at Community expense. All such butter will have to be marked "EEC sale" on its labels.

The scheme will mean that there will be enough money to subsidize the whole of the British share of the Community "mountain", weighing more than 16,000 tonnes. That is equivalent to between two and three weeks' consumption in Britain.

Warning issued over salmon from factory in Alaska

By a Staff Reporter

The Government issued a warning last night against eating tinned salmon from the False Pass factory in Alaska because of "deficiencies in hygiene". A tin of red salmon from the factory which was sold in Britain under the John West label infected four Birmingham pensioners with botulism, a rare type of food poisoning. Two of the pensioners have died.

The warning was issued because staff who gut salmon were found to be drying their working clothes on rows of tins that had recently been sterilized and were still hot. A recommendation made nine weeks ago not to eat any salmon tinned in the United States has been cancelled.

Detailed instructions have been issued about recognizing tins from False Pass.

False Pass tins are identified by the letter F in the top line of the code number embossed on each tin. Their labels say that they were produced in the United States. The recommendation applies to all False Pass tins, not just those of the 7½oz John West Red Salmon type eaten by the pensioners. There is now no restriction on tins from other factories in the United States or those from Canada, Japan or the Soviet Union.

The two-line code, found at one end of tins, appears thus:

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£500,000 theft from shop in Belfast

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

Jewelry, watches and cash of a total value of about £500,000 were stolen from a shop near the centre of Belfast yesterday only 50 yards from a security barrier manned by armed British soldiers.

As a hunt for the raiders, two men and a woman, continued last night, security forces were understood to be working on the theory that the raid was carried out by the Provisional IRA.

The IRA has been concentrating increasingly in recent years on armed robberies to raise funds to buy guns and ammunition after the dramatic fall in the financial support it was receiving from Irish-Americans. Most of the largest robberies have been in the Irish Republic, where more than £1m has been seized this year. There is growing pressure from the police for the right to be armed.

Yesterday's raid was carefully planned, the woman member of the gang posed as a newspaper reporter to gain access to the heavily stocked shop in Royal Avenue, which was due to open to the public later this week.

She arrived by appointment at 1.30 pm, but when the security doors were opened two armed accomplices forced their way into the premises and tied up members of the staff. Jewelry and £15,000 in cash was taken.

Computer delays put off Tory tax scheme

By George Clark
Political Correspondent

Delays in ordering a computer system that can handle pay-as-you-earn taxation and social security payments have caused the Shadow Cabinet to revise the Conservative Party's plan to introduce a tax credit scheme. The party believes that the scheme would have brought considerable benefits to the poorest section of the community.

The Conservative tax credit scheme was first set out in a Green Paper in 1972. That was examined by an all-party select committee and most of its members reported in favour.

Its main point was that under the present system when personal allowances are increased, those whose incomes are already less than the allowances were no better off. They paid no tax anyway.

By a tax credit system, the personal allowances would be converted into non-taxable credits. Assuming a credit equal to the personal allowances, no taxpayer would be worse off; an employer would set an employee's credits against his tax liability and deduct tax, as at present. However, a person whose credits exceeded his tax liability would receive the difference in cash from his employer.

Both Mr Patrick Jenkin, opposition spokesman on the social services, and Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, the shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, have given earlier warnings that although the party remained committed to the tax credit principle, they would not be able to introduce the scheme all at once.

Now it seems certain that, even if the Conservatives come to power at the next general election, they would not be able to introduce the scheme in the lifetime of the next Parliament.

Conservative inquiries at the Inland Revenue and the Department of Health and Social Security have disclosed technical difficulties and the latest estimate is that the necessary computer for introducing tax credits will not be operational before 1985.

Mr Jenkin emphasized yesterday that the party remains committed to the tax credit principle and would like to bring the system into operation as quickly as possible. But it could not be done by ordinary clerical methods.

Union says warnings gi to smallpox

The laboratory wi Janet Parker contract pox had twice been to cautions were inadeq Clive Jenkins, general of the Association of Technical and M Staffs, said last night

Commenting on t tion, a spokesman for versity medical scho was highly improbable organisation had co about precautions in t tory.

"We were working behalf and it seems they would have allow continue if they thou cautions were inadequ said.

Mr Jenkins said th letter arrived on Augu day before Mrs Par admitted to hospital. not know the date of t

He said the union fo about the letters whe were referred to in t liminary report of th health authority's so infection committee, w investigating the smal break.

"We only managed hold of that by going secretary of state ", kins said. He is to m David Ennals, Secre State for Health and Security, today to "grave disquiet"

Appeal to new students on electoral reform

The Student Campaign for Electoral Reform is to make an appeal in the next few weeks in 50 universities to seek help from new students to win over more MPs to its cause.

The campaign was started in May by students of all political affiliations and of none who believe that the growth of political apathy is caused by disillusionment with Britain's present voting system.

In a message to students, the campaign says that barely 70 per cent of people now bother to vote and that the local election turnout has dropped to under 40 per cent. Students, it says, should take direct and determined action to change the root cause of political disenchantment. Britain's antiquated voting system.

At a press conference in London yesterday, Mr Stephen Moon, a Conservative student in the organizing nucleus, said the Confederation of Conservative Students has twice endorsed motions in favour of a system of proportional representation in principle, despite the hostility of Mrs Margaret Thatcher and many leading Conservatives.

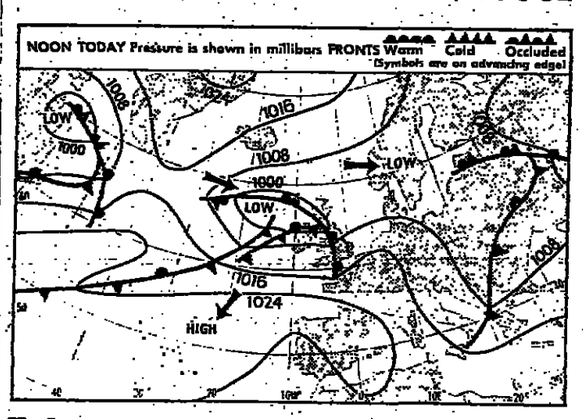
The all-party group of organizers wants the political student groups to bring pressure on their seniors. They believe that will bring a change in Labour and Tory attitudes to reform. The group is not pinning its faith on to any particular system of proportional representation; it merely argues that every vote should count.

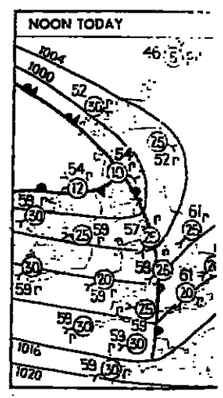
Tory group call for jobless law

People who are out of work for more than a year should be required by law to take any job offered which is considered reasonably within their capacity, the Monday Club's local government study group suggests in a policy paper issued yesterday.

If that fails, they should be put to work under the direction of local councils on street sweeping, tending parks or digging gardens for civic benefit.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 6.36 am. Sun sets: 6.46 pm
Moon rises: 2.43 am. Moon sets: 5.9 pm
New Moon: October 2.
Lighting up: 7.16 pm to 6.27 am.
High water: London Bridge, 12.13 pm, 6.0m (19.7ft). Avonmouth, 5.13 am, 10.3m (33.9ft); 5.36 pm, 10.8m (35.5ft). Dover, 9.29 am, 5.5m (18.1ft); 9.57 pm, 5.7m (18.6ft). Hull, 4.1 am, 5.9m (19.4ft); 4.43 pm, 6.1m (20.0ft). Liverpool, 9.44 am, 7.7m (25.1ft); 10.5 pm, 8.0m (26.1ft).

A depression to the W of Scotland will deepen as it moves E.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, East Anglia, Central S and SE England, Midlands: Cloudy, occasional rain in places, some brighter spells especially during the afternoon; wind W, fresh or strong; max temp 16° or 17°C (61° to 63°F).

Lake District, Central N, NE and E England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands: Cloudy, rain at times, hill fog, wind SW, fresh; max temp 14°C (57°F).

Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Rather cloudy, occasional rain or drizzle near coasts, perhaps more general rain later, hill and coastal fog; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 16°C (61°F).

N Wales, NW England, Isle of Man: Cloudy, occasional rain or drizzle, hill fog, more general rain later; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 15°C (59°F).

Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Showers, some bright intervals, becoming mostly cloudy with rain at times; wind S, fresh; max temp 12°C (54°F).

Argyll, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, quite heavy at times, hill fog; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 13°C (55°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Unsettled, with most places having some rain, rather cold and windy.

Sea passages: S, North Sea: Wind SW, fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough.

Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind W or SW, fresh or strong, perhaps locally gale; sea moderate or rough.

St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind West or SW, strong to gale; sea rough or very rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7 am to 7 pm, 17°C (63°F); min 7 pm to

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; th, thunder.

	C	F		C	F		C	F
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Alghero	s	26	79	Cologne	c	17	63	Lisbon	s	24	75	Nice	s	23	73
Amsterdm	c	14	57	Copenhgn	r	10	50	Locarno	s	21	70	Oslo	s	13	55
Athens	s	31	88	Dublin	r	14	57	London	f	16	61	Paris	s	17	63
Barcelona	s	28	82	Edinburgh	c	14	57	Luxembrg	c	10	50	Rome	f	24	75
Beirut	s	28	82	Florence	c	21	70	Madrid	s	28	82	Rosldawy	f	13	55
Belfast	r	13	55	Geneva	r	16	61	Majorca	f	25	77	Stockholm	f	10	50
Berlin	r	13	55	Gibraltar	s	24	75	Malaga	f	25	77	Tel Aviv	s	26	79
Biarritz	c	19	66	Guernsey	r	15	59	Malta	s	29	84	Toronto	s	17	63
Birmingham	r	15	59	Helsinki	c	12	54	Manchstr	r	13	55	Venice	c	21	70
Bristol	r	15	59	Innsbruck	r	11	52	Moscow	c	7	45	Vienna	c	14	57
Brussels	sh	14	57	Istanbul	s	25	77	Munich	r	12	54	Warsaw	f	15	59
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Bridlington	7.5		15	59
Cleethorpes	5.6	.12	16	61
Clacton	5.8	.01	16	61
Margate	6.6	.02	16	61
Herne Bay	4.8	.03	16	61
S COAST				
Hastings	6.5	—	18	64
Eastbourne	7.0	—	17	63
Brighton	7.5	.01	17	63
Bognor	7.0	—	17	63
Southsea	7.5	.03	18	64
Sandown	7.3	.02	19	66
Bournemth	7.3	—	19	66
Exmouth	6.3	.01	19	66
Torquay	6.2	.02	17	63
Falmouth	7.4	.01	16	61
W COAST				
Morecambe	5.8	.52	14	57
Blackpool	4.9	.16	14	57
Ilfracombe	5.8	—	17	63
Newquay	5.6	.15	15	59

Overseas selling prices

Austria, Sch 15; Belgium, F
Canaries, Pes 80; Denmark, Dk
Finland, Fmk 2.25; France, Fr
Germany, Dmk 1.30; Greece,
Holland, Dfl 1.00; Hongkong
$4.00; Italy, Lire 700; Luxem
Lf 35; Madeira, Esc 22.60; Mall
Norway, Kr 4.50; Portugal, E
Spain, Pes 80; Sweden, Skr
Switzerland, Sfr 0.90; USA

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NGA says any 'Times' dispute might spread

Officials of the National Union of Journalists met Times Newspapers management representatives yesterday over a threat to suspend all titles from November 30 unless agreement is reached with unions over a range of issues, including a new disputes procedure.

The meeting came as the official journal of the National Graphical Association, the main craft printing union, prepared to publish a statement this week from Mr Joe Wade, general secretary, about the dispute.

Mr Wade says: "Times Newspapers is part of the Thomson Organization, one of the biggest newspaper printing groups in the country. It could be that if Times provokes a dispute as a result of their ultimatum it will be more than just Times Newspapers that will find themselves in conflict with the NGA."

He added that the union wished to reach agreement on all aspects of industrial relations difficulties, as well as the introduction of new technology. But the NGA's jurisdictional rights had to be recognized. Industrial relations policies could not be achieved against arbitrary deadlines and conditions which, he said, Times management was attempting to lay down.

Printing firms pay levy for fund against union action

By Our Labour Staff

More than 3,000 printing companies belonging to the British Printing Industries Federation are to pay a levy to provide financial support to members said to be under attack by the National Graphical Association, the main craft printing union.

The federation said: "NGA members have been instructed by the union not to operate newly installed machines or equipment without substantial extra payments. As a result firms are having to place new machines under wraps or postpone or cancel investment."

It argues that extra payments would breach pay policy and national agreements revised as recently as April, and approved by a ballot of NGA members. The agreements gave a 10 per cent rise, including extras payable in respect of certain kinds of machines and equipment.

The employers said yesterday that if union pressures were removed they would be prepared to negotiate on difficulties relating to the operation of machinery and equipment "but on the clear understanding that any revised agreements will be put into effect only when permitted by the Secretary of State for Employment". Meanwhile the federation has told employers to make no extra payments, and to adhere to current national agreements.

The organization says about 60 firms have received or are expecting claims from the union, and the number is growing.

Mr Henry Kendall, federation director, said: "I cannot believe it is the NGA's intention to damage the printing industry and the employment prospects of union members, but that is certainly the effect of its actions.

"In addition to penalizing investment the NGA has recently restricted overtime working on the grounds of alleviating unemployment, thereby reducing the earnings of its members at a time when there is a serious and growing shortage of skilled labour. NGA promise fight: Mr Joe Wade, general secretary of the NGA, said: "If the British Printing Industries Federation is looking for a fight, they will get one."

"I do not take it too seriously. It will only stiffen the resistance of our members and make them even more enthusiastic about getting these increases."

He rejected the employers' proposal to enter negotiations provided that new agreements would be subject to the Secretary of State's approval.

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HOME NEWS

Aid urged for bright pupils to attend independent schools

From Diana Geddes
Education Correspondent
Exeter

Mr David Baggley, chairman of the Headmasters' Conference, called yesterday for closer co-operation between independent and state schools. Outstanding public schools could be used as "centres of excellence", he suggested, and bright children from poor homes could be helped to attend independent schools by the establishment of, for example, a government-financed assisted-places scheme.

Addressing a meeting in Exeter of the Headmasters' Conference, which represents the 215 heads of Britain's leading boys' public schools, he said it was dangerous to destroy institutions that were doing a good job instead of extending their influence.

Mr Baggley is head of Bolton School in Greater Manchester, one of the 119 former direct grant schools that opted for independence in 1976. He said the schools had chosen independence in order to maintain standards that a hasty amalgamation would have threatened.

Critics of the independent schools said that they were elitist and snobbish and that parents were buying a selfish privilege by sending their children to those schools. But though it might conceivably be called a privilege (though he preferred to refer to benefits), it was certainly not selfish. The results were fed back into society in productive service, he said.

The independent schools were providing what parents wanted: good teaching; a stable organization based on a religious commitment; a caring school community; a curriculum that was basically one of academic study tested by an examination that set reasonably high standards of achievement at which to aim; and a choice between boarding and day school.

What the independent school critics should be doing, and what the independent school heads should be helping them to do, was to ensure that similar benefits were available in schools throughout the country.

The cultural needs of society were not best served by clumsily breaking up the staff and student populations of successful schools and spreading them thinly elsewhere, he said.

"Far more sensible would be a policy of making some public use of these existing centres of excellence, on a more gradual and controlled scale, and at the same time using their continuing success to be an encouragement for others." The independent schools looked forward to finding ways in which their contribution could be shared.

There was a place for the independent school and also for "the hybrid where an independent institution accepts a degree of government control and in which some government funds are deployed". That could include assisted places.

Lure of the 'riskless society' is condemned

By Our Planning Reporter

An outspoken attack on environmentalists who disrupted economic progress was made yesterday by Mr Michael Pocock, chairman of Shell Transport and Trading.

Speaking at the seventh World Planning Congress in London, organized by the Society for Long-Range Planning, he criticized the new power of pressure groups. They comprised quite small numbers of people, with passionately held if narrow interests, who had learnt how to manipulate democratic systems and to disrupt development at its most vulnerable point.

Mr Pocock instanced the virtual halting of nuclear power programmes in the United States, Sweden and Germany, and their slowing down elsewhere; the long delayed opening of Tokyo's new international airport; and the abandonment of a huge new dam in Tennessee, when it was nearly finished, in order to protect "some insignificant fish".

"Whether all this really achieves a better world, I doubt, but it certainly threatens a world deprived of growth", he said. "It has been well said that the creation of wealth in a world of want is a moral duty. I suggest that that morality is just as valid as the morality of the environmentalists."

Environmentalism was symptomatic of what Mr Kingman Brewster, the United States Ambassador to Britain, had termed the entitlement state, he said. Governments everywhere had encouraged the notion that they had the power to offer voters not only a shower of public goods, such as education, housing and sports fields, but also a risk-less society with protection against unemployment, old age, sickness, noise, smells and even unwanted competition.

Business thrived on risk, but there was a real danger that businessmen would join the risk-free bandwagon, would shy away from opportunities and ask for subsidies, grants and other protection.

When the oil companies remonstrated against the Government's intention to raise the petroleum revenue tax on North Sea oilfields, they were told that there was no hardship because on marginal fields they could always claim exemption from royalty to make them viable.

He said there was plenty of oil to last well into the next century, if the right uses were made of it. By the right uses he meant petrochemicals and transportation; far too much was still being burnt as industrial and heating fuel.

As a word of warning, he said an additional 1 per cent in the gross national product of Europe alone would call for the equivalent in energy of a further 500 million tons of coal a year by 1990.



Speakers' choice: Mr Ivor Spencer, president of the Guild of Professional Toastmasters, introducing the guild's choice of best speaker of the year, Commissioner Catherine Bramwell-Booth, granddaughter of the founder of the Salvation Army (left), at a luncheon in London yesterday. While most of the guests drank champagne the commissioner, aged 95, and her sisters, Major Dora Booth (far right) and Colonel Olive Booth, settled for orange juice (report, page 17).

Neighbour relations broken by noise

By Christopher Warman
Local Government Correspondent

People are becoming intolerant of their neighb statistics released yesterd the Environmental Health cers' Association suggest.

Its annual report shows complaints about noise creased by more than 10,00 year to 37,871, of which were from people's h Almost the whole increase in domestic complaints, Mr Emerson, chairman of the ciation's general council, s

"People are becoming tolerant and are becoming aware of their rights unde law, and are asking us something about it", he s

Most of the growing nu of complaints are about ba dogs, loud record pl parties and the noise of leaving parties in the hours.

Mr Emerson suggested the increase in noise mi might be due to modern b construction, in which b and plaster are used inste walls nine inches thick. An reason might be the sitin houses near industrial p because better land was b ing scarce.

Mr David Hornsey, vice-man of the public affairs mittee, said that officers to get neighbours to tal each other, but it seemed people were no longer pre to live and let live. "The more aware of the legisl which protects them and something done about it."

Discotheques were a con cause of complaints, he Even a disc jockey had him for advice becaus feared his hearing migh affected.

The report states that poisoning cases in Englan Wales doubled in the four to 1976. More than 12,000 were notified.

The association says better hygiene on farms, ticularly the elimination affected feeding stuffs by introduction of new con would prevent many case

It also complains of the ber of directives coming the European Economic munity and questions the of the EEC to impose the

Fifth fall victim dies

A youth injured whe cradle fell 90ft down the of an office block in Ca died yesterday. Mr Nigel liams, aged 17, was the victim of the accident, w occurred last week.

1.5m more to get help in paying electricity bills

By Nicholas Hirst

More poor families and pensioners are to receive help in paying winter-quarter electricity bills.

An increase of £15m to £45m in the money available for the government scheme was announced yesterday by Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy. That will add a further 1,500,000 people to the 3,200,000 eligible for a subsidy last year.

Of the total of 4,500,000, up to 3,000,000 are old-age pensioners whose health is such that they are particularly vulnerable to cold weather.

The extension brings recipients of rent and rate rebates into the scheme. They are added to the recipients of supplementary benefit and family income supplement, the two categories entitled to help last year.

Recipients of rent and rate rebates will be able to claim a subsidy equal to a quarter of their electricity bills over £20 for the January to March quarter.

People receiving supplementary benefits and family income supplement will continue to be eligible to claim the subsidy and will also continue to receive a £5 grant, paid with their benefits in the week beginning January 22. The new categories will not get the £5 grant.

The extension of the scheme was welcomed by Age Concern. "The most important single anomaly has been picked out and will help hundreds of thousands of pensioners", a spokesman said.

Mr Frank Field, director of the Child Poverty Action roup, said: "This is the best immediate way of helping the poor in work. However, the scheme has been extended each year. This should be the last year of patching. Poverty caused by fuel debts is still growing and we have yet to get to grips with this problem."

Last year out of £30m available £23m was paid to 3,200,00 people. 700,000 of whom claimed the additional subsidy of a quarter of the winter-quarter bill over £20. The average total payment was £12.50.

Call for IBA-style press authority

By Ian Bradley

A strong attack on the conventional view of press freedom has been made by a group of academics and journalists in a manifesto published yesterday.

The group, which was set up by the Acton Society and financed by the Joseph Rowntree Trust, is highly critical of the report of the recent Royal Commission on the Press. It believes that the commission was wrong to rule out government intervention in the press and that it failed to recommend legislation to curb monopolies and promote internal democracy while accepting excessive legal restrictions on freedom of expression.

The manifesto, which is in the form of essays by individual contributors, advocates the establishment of an independent press authority along the lines of the Independent Broadcasting Authority.

Mr Stuart Holland, lecturer in economics at Sussex University and a member of the group, said at a meeting to launch the manifesto: "The British press has no obligation to represent a balanced view in the way that broadcasting companies do."

Mr Geoffrey Robertson, a barrister, said that at present British law was the enemy of the press. He said: "London has become the libel capital of the world where tax-free handouts are given to privileged people who are rich enough to sue."

He argued that the whole concept of monetary recompense for criticism in the press was outmoded and that it would be much better for those who had been wronged to have automatic recourse to the columns of the newspaper concerned.

The idea of state subsidies for newspapers unable to make a profit or to attract large-scale advertising finds favour with a number of contributors to the manifesto. Mr James Curran, senior lecturer in communications at Central London Polytechnic, argues for a press development agency and an advertising deficit fund.

He said that such a fund, which exists in France and is used to finance two daily newspapers, *L'Humanité* and *La Croix*, would come from a profit tax on all newspapers with a *monopoly*, mostly provincial evening papers. It would be administered by a public agency and used to launch new papers and to subsidize existing papers which were unable to raise sufficient advertising revenue to break even.

The principle of cooperative control of newspapers with journalists hiring editors and controlling editorial policy also finds favour with many of the contributors to the manifesto. Mr Neil Ascherson, a political writer on *The Scotsman*, said that the independence of editors had been completely eroded because of changes in the ownership of papers and that support could come only from staff acting collectively.

Many of the demands made in the manifesto are in accord with present thinking on the press within the Labour Party. *The British Press: A Manifesto* (Macmillan, £12.95, hardback; £4.95, paperback).

Labour feuds may be fought out in public

By Michael Hatfield
Political Reporter

Labour's internal feuds over the future election of its leader and the reselection of MPs could be fought out in the open when the party holds its annual conference in Blackpool next week.

Traditionally, such delicate matters are thrashed out in a private session at the conference, but this year delegates are to be asked by the national executive committee to allow the discussions to be held in public.

The whole conference could also escape from the proverbial smoke-filled room. One of the first items on the agenda is that smoking should be banned in the hall. There is also a compromise proposal that smoking should be allowed only in the afternoons.

Constituency party delegates will lead the fight, probably on the second day, to change the party leadership system by extending the electoral college outside the customary boundaries of the Parliamentary Labour Party.

Militants who want to change the system argue that it should be extended to all endorsed parliamentary candidates. Each constituency party should have one vote and trade unions affiliated to the party should also participate.

Any change is seen as increasing the chances of Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, of eventually becoming party leader, but left-wing enthusiasts need to temper their optimism with caution. Mr Benn is undoubtedly the hero of the militant constituency parties, but his popularity among the trade unions is by no means uniform.

There could also be an upset over the reselection of MPs. Delegates will be asked to approve a report, drawn up by a national executive working party, stating that sitting Labour MPs shall automatically be placed on a short list drawn up by the constituency party for a selection conference to be held not later than 42 months after the date of the previous general election.

Union caucus meetings have yet to be held to decide attitudes, but it is understood that the Transport and General Workers' Union general council meeting opposed the proposal at its meeting last week. Ironically, Mr Mostyn (Moss) Evans, the union's general secretary, was on the working party that drew up the recommendation.

Remand centre staff ban admissions

By Peter Evans

Prison officers at Ashford Remand Centre have said that until someone in authority listens to their complaints about the pressure they are under they will not accept new inmates.

The decision brings to a head the dispute about demands being made on the prison system. They indicate the seriousness of the crisis to which Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, chairman of the Howard League for Penal Reform, referred this week.

An attempt should be made, he said, to educate courts to use imprisonment more sparingly than in the recent past. The fact that Ashford is for young people not yet sentenced gives another dimension to the question.

The officers say there is a shortage of space, men, and facilities at Ashford. A spokesman for member of the Prison Officers Association at the centre said yesterday that 48 cells had been closed because facilities for bathing and obtaining fresh water were inadequate.

He added that there were four lavatories to be used by 83 people on each landing, and slopping out caused a particular difficulty.

So great is the pressure the men, the spokesman s that they were called upon volunteers, to work 13 days of 14. Theoretically they sho have two rest days in ev seven. Because staff can take rest days and leave ou to them, he said, they go s Ten officers did so on Mon

The shortage of staff forced the cancellation of vi on the past two Saturdays. centre holds young people a 17 to 21 and younger per facing serious charges. prison officers said the po had to be called when wo be visitors became irate.

Couple to quit for refusing modernization

From Our Correspondent
Peterborough

A couple face eviction because they have refused to have their council house modernized. Mr George Watson and his wife, Kathleen, have been given four weeks to quit their terrace home in Gordon Avenue, Peterborough.

Mr Watson, aged 58, said yesterday: "It has taken us 30 years to get the place as we like it. We have spent something like £500. Although it is no palace, it is comfortable, and to us it is home."

The couple have tiled the floors, fitted the kitchen, and newly decorated most of the rooms.

The city council's £5m scheme for 450 houses includes installation of central heating, fitting sink units and cupboards, and moving the bathroom upstairs.

"They are not giving us anything we want, and we shall be saddled with a lot of inconvenience", Mrs Watson said.

Councillor Hew Lothian, chairman of the housing committee, said the modernization decision was a matter of good housing management. The house had been very nicely kept but the property must be available to the contractor by October.

Typhoid suspect

A boy aged 7 from Glan Conwy, north Wales, has been admitted to an isolation hospital in Bangor with suspected typhoid after a holiday in Spain. His classmates are being examined.

Hospital delays

There are nearly 3,000 people waiting for non-urgent operations at Northampton General Hospital, it was disclosed yesterday. Many operations are delayed for up to two years.

22m stickers will tell of radio changes

By Kenneth Gosling

A £450,000 campaign to publicize the wavelength changes from November 23 was announced by the BBC yesterday. It will involve the delivery by post of 22m sticker cards to every address in the United Kingdom during October and November. Important programme changes for Radio 3 and Radio 4 were also outlined.

The main change is the switch of Radio 4 to long wave. A long-wave adapter will be available at about £6. One of these was shown yesterday: it is a small black box, about the size of a cigarette packet, that has only to be put close to a radio to be effective.

There would be no need for any radio receiver to be made redundant, Mr Aubrey Singer, managing director of BBC Radio, said, but for the full range of BBC services three wavebands will be required.

The changes will also mean setting up booster stations to improve reception in certain areas. Radio 4 on long wave will be audible throughout the country; Radio 3 on medium wave effective during the day but inferior at night; Radios 1 and 2 are both expected to be generally effective in their new positions.

Mr Singer said the autumn marked a turning point for radio. The opportunity had been grasped to give the United Kingdom a nationwide service for the first time; at the same time, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland are going to be able to have complete radio services of their own.

Mr Stephen Hearst, controller of Radio 3, said programme changes were the most drastic since he took over in 1972. Because further education programmes from 6.30 to 7.30 pm were moving to Radio 4 VHF, that hour would be devoted to a music programme called *At Home*, introduced by Jack Brymer. There would be more simultaneous broadcasts with BBC 2 television.

Mr Ian McIntyre, controller of Radio 4, said new programmes on his channel would begin before the wavelength changes. In news and current affairs, *The World at One* will be lengthened by 10 minutes to 40 minutes.

Mr Singer said ways were being sought to persuade the Open University to use less air time; and Miss Monica Sims, who takes over Radio 4 in December, was doubtful whether Children's Hour would be revived.

Training rules for foreign Bar candidates 'fair'

The rules for academic training of graduates without law degrees who want to read for the English Bar operate as fairly as possible, Mr Edward Nugee, vice-chairman of the Council of Legal Education, told an industrial tribunal in London yesterday.

The tribunal is considering a claim by a graduate of Columbia University, New York, that her exclusion from a one-year course at City University is indirect discrimination on the ground of nationality and unlawful under the Race Relations Act, 1976.

Students with non-law degrees from overseas universities have to take a two-year course.

Mr Nugee said that since the case had been brought the present rules had been reconsidered. "But we have formed the view that as our present rules operate in as fair a manner as we are likely to be able to devise, they fit the requirements of the profession."

He rejected alternatives such as a subjective assessment of each candidate's eligibility for the one-year course and a test designed to determine understanding of the social and economic context of English law.

The case was brought by Mrs Joan Bohon-Mitchell, aged 29, a United States citizen married to an English doctor and living in Oxford.

Painful lesson on size learnt by NHS, minister says

By John Roper

The lesson that "big is not beautiful" has been painfully learnt in the National Health Service, Mr David Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, said yesterday. The reorganization of the service in 1974 had proved in many ways to be a disaster, he told the annual meeting in London of the Association of Community Health Councils of England and Wales.

Remote management could often be bad management, he said. Although he would not stand in the way of local changes to streamline the structure or improve services, he was not prepared to go beyond that before seeing what the royal commission on the health services said about the structure as a whole.

The service would undoubtedly be better if more money was spent on it, Mr Ennals said. He was worried about such things as the length of waiting lists and staffing standards in hospitals for the mentally ill.

He wondered if those who said the service was under-financed would make the same headlines if they stood up and said that Britain was under-taxed or that more and heavier charges should be levied on the sick, because they were the two main possible ways of finding extra money for the service.

Mr Ennals announced that he was granting the Health Education Council a further £500,000 for 1978-79 to help with important campaigns.

When he said that critical health indicators were improving and that, for example, provisional figures for perinatal mortality showed a drop from 23.4 for every thousand births in 1970 to 20.3 in 1974 and 16.9 last year, a representative in the body of the hall said: "Except in the deprived areas".

British Airways to reduce fares to Europe

By Our Air Correspondent

Air fares between Lon and Europe, which are portionately among the hig in the world, are to be redu on some routes at selec times, according to a Bri Airways announcement yes day.

Weekend excursions Cologne and Düsseldorf will reduced by 30 per cent to £4 return from November 1. W end returns to Frankfurt cost £54.50 and to Berlin equivalent to the price o single fare on weekdays.

Off-peak returns to Paris be £47 (normally £78), Ams dam £49 (normally £82) Brussels £49.50 (normally £

British Airways are also posing an advance-purch excursion fare to Helsinki £125 (normally £193). All red tions are subject to forr government approval.

The airline said last nig that the cheap fare to Colog was less than the rail fare.

Regulation will stop 'part gallon racket'

By Our Motoring Correspondent

New regulations on the display of petrol prices, announced yesterday, will enable motorists to see when garages charge part gallons at a higher rate than full gallons.

The order supplements one made last year which stipulated that prices must be displayed.

Mr Robert Maclennan, Under-Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, said last year's order had been outstandingly successful. He hoped the new order would help to stop what he called the "part-gallon rackets".

The order also provides that if an additional benefit, such as a gift or voucher, is offered at some pumps on a forecourt and a higher price charged at those pumps, a statement to that effect must be posted.

'Daily Star' ban sought by paper

The *Morning Star*, the Communist daily newspaper, has started legal moves to try to stop Express Newspapers calling its planned new paper the *Daily Star*.

In a High Court writ the Morning Star Cooperative Ltd seeks an injunction banning Express Newspapers from passing off any national daily newspaper as the *Morning Star* by using the title *Daily Star* or by any other means. The writ also claims damages and costs.

Football pools record

A Glasgow secretary and an Irish farmworker have each won £343,039 on Littlewoods Pools, a record double win on the treble chance. The previous highest payout was for a single win of £680,000 in February, 1974.

Half cinemas are barred to wheelchair users

More than half the cinema auditoriums and more than a quarter of theatres are barred to people in wheelchairs, according to a survey carried out by the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation.

A guide, giving details of 1,100 cinemas and 600 theatres, also shows that only 4 per cent of accessible cinemas have lavatories for wheelchair users, compared with 27 per cent for theatres.

But there has been a slight increase since 1975 in the number of cinemas prepared to admit people in wheelchairs, largely in Odeon, Gaumont and independent auditoriums, with the least advances in ABC cinemas, the survey says.

Theatres and Cinemas—An access guide for disabled people (devised and edited by Struan Simpson, published by RADAR, 25 Mortimer Street, London, WIN 8AB; 60p).

Inquiry told of Crown Agents' banking venture

By Philip Webster

The entry of the Crown Agents into their ill fated "own-account" activities, which eventually led to losses of more than £200m, was described yesterday at the tribunal of inquiry in London investigating their losses between 1967 and 1974.

Sir Stephen Luke, senior Crown Agent from 1959 to 1968, was questioned on the acquisition in November, 1967, by Four Millbank Investments Ltd, a Crown Agents' limited company, of a two-fifths shareholding in E. D. Sassoon Banking, a small merchant banking company, for £674,000, the first occasion on which the Crown Agents had used their own money to buy into a company.

Mr Martin Nourse, QC, for the tribunal, quoted to Sir Stephen the reaction of Mr E. A. Morris, who was Assistant Crown Agent at the time. The reaction was expressed in his evidence to the Fay Committee of Inquiry, which investigated the circumstances that led to the Crown Agents requesting financial help from the Government in 1974.

Mr Morris had stated: "The first occasion on which the Crown Agents took a share in equity in a company was Sassoons. The whole office was agog with this because it was a new thing . . . that was the precedent for taking a share in companies. Thereafter, all sorts of companies were participated in."

When Sir Stephen was asked by Mr Nourse whether he recollected that the whole office was agog over the proposal, he replied: "I am sure Mr Morris was right in saying that, but I do not know that I realized at the time that it was creating such a wide interest within the office."

Sir Stephen also said: "I regarded it as new. I regarded it, not so much as an investment but as a way of extending the range of services provided by the Crown Agents."

Mr Nourse asked if Sir Stephen remembered whether it was ever conveyed to him that the Bank of England did not regard Sassoons as being of sufficient standing for the Crown Agents to be associated with them.

Sir Stephen said that at a meeting with the Bank of England representatives he did not get the impression they were strongly opposed to the scheme. They had discussed the arguments for and against in a perfectly normal way. The Bank had agreed to the project but said that the Crown Agents' participation should be increased from the originally proposed 30 per cent, to 40 per cent.

Mr Nourse asked: "Did anybody ever say to you they did not think it was right for a body of the Crown Agents' standing to be associated with an organization like this?"

Sir Stephen replied: "No. Nobody said that, not that I can remember".

Mr Nourse said that one of the criticisms made of the Crown Agents' "own-account" activities was that some of their business associates had not been of the standing one would have expected Crown Agents to look for in matters of that kind.

He added: "I want to see whether anybody had said anything at this time to give you an idea that people might not look at Sassoons as being a body of sufficient standing".

Sir Stephen replied: "I have no recollection of anybody saying that to me. It is difficult after 10 years to be dogmatic, but I am certain the point was not made. All that was going to be left of Sassoons was the shell, the title".

Sir Stephen was questioned about his comments to the Fay committee about the appointment of his successor. He told the c mittee: "Both the ministry the Treasury made rather functory efforts to find so body, but the names they duced, if I remember right, gentlemen who did not seem provide the right sort of exp ence."

Sir Stephen said yesterday his remarks to the Fay Commit did less than justice to the thou and effort given by the minis to the matter, and to the di culties it encountered. Study the relevant papers threw light the difficulties involved of cruiting anyone of standing business or the City at the sen crown agents' level of remune tion at that time, or at any at that level to which it co possibly be raised.

He had been advised informa that it would be difficult to fi someone from industry who wou be at once suitable for that pu lic appointment, and willing accept the rather hazardous possibilities with his freedom action so limited by the status the office and its staff. He h told the ministry that the appoi ment of a civil servant seemed be unavoidable.

The hearing was adjourned un next Wednesday.



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WEST EUROPE

French will return to disarmament table after 17-year absence

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, Sept 27

France will join the new disarmament committee created by the United Nations special session on disarmament last spring, *the Cabinet decided this morning.*

Soon after the previous United Nations disarmament committee came into existence in Geneva, presided over jointly by the Soviet Union and the United States, France ceased in 1962 to take part, saying the committee was dominated by the superpowers.

President Giscard d'Estaing said today: "The decision to set up the new committee, which our delegation had proposed at the special session, makes it possible for France to take up within this committee the place which was set aside for her. She will act within it in order to promote the cause of a real disarmament, which takes into account the legitimate right of every nation to security."

There is no denying the historic importance of the decision by the French Government to resume its seat at the Geneva disarmament talks after an absence of 17 years.

It is another indication of President Giscard d'Estaing's break with General de Gaulle's negative attitude towards the United Nations. General de Gaulle referred contemptuously to the United Nations as "*Le Machin*" (the thing), and dismissed its disarmament discussions as "useless posturing".

M Giscard d'Estaing had emphasized *in a speech to the* United Nations last May that France was ready to resume its place in disarmament negotiations only on a basis of equality between all countries.

The reorganization of the Geneva disarmament committee *will see in addition to the original* 31 member countries, nine new ones—Algeria, Austria, Belgium, China, Cuba, Indonesia, Kenya, Sri Lanka and Venezuela. Instead of the co-presidency being held by the United States and Russia, it is to be *held on monthly rotating basis* by all members.

This is considered in Paris as an encouraging start for the discussion, when the committee meets early next year, of French proposals on disarmament.

The French proposals include the setting up of a world agency for the control of military observation satellites; the creation of a special fund fed from taxes on excessively armed countries: the calling of a European conference to discuss limiting nuclear armaments from the Atlantic to the Urals; and the creation of denuclearized zones in other regions of the world.

EEC puts off decision on British fish policy

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, Sept 27

A final decision on the acceptability of Britain's fish conservation measures, and on *whether to take legal action to* get them abolished or modified, was postponed here today by the European Commission.

The Comission takes strong exception to several of the measures, on the grounds that they are either discriminatory, *excessive or usurp a Community* competence, and Britain is likely to come under strong pressure from Brussels to amend them.

Under EEC rules, a member state may, in the absence of Community agreeent and after *first seeking the Commission's* approval, introduce national conservation measures provided they are demonstrably necessaary, apply equally to all EEC fishermen, and do not conflict with EEC law.

Mr John Silkin, the British *Minister of Agriculture, con*tends that the measures meet these criteria. This is challenged not only by the Commission, but also by other member states, in particular Denmark and Ireland, which have threatened to ignore British *fishing restrictions.*

One of the measures under scrutiny is the extension from October 1 of the area covered by the ban on fishing for Norway pout off the north-east coast of Scotland. Britain intends to push the limit of the ban out by another 60 miles, claiming that this will increase haddock and whiting stocks in the North Sea

The view in Brussels is that Britain would be justified in extending the pout ban by up to 30 miles, but not the 60 miles

The recent British closure of the Mourne herring fishery is regarded as illegal by the Commission because of the exemption made to small skiffs within half a mile of the coast. The Commission also believes that *the ban on herring fishing in* other parts of the British sector fishing in the Irish Sea was unacceptable.

Silkin warning: A sharp warning to Irish fishermen not to break the British ban on herring fishing in the Irish Sea was given by Mr Silkin.

He said: "While Her Majesty's Government obviously cannot affect anything done within Irish fishery limits, the fishery is now closed within British fishing limits, and the Government has ensured that adequate enforcement arrangements have been made."

Disagreements prolong air talks with Scandinavians

From Our Correspondent
Copenhagen, Sept 27

Talks on the controversial subject of formulating a new agreement on air traffic between Britain and Scandinavia are under way in Copenhagen. British aviation officials are meeting their counterparts from Norway, Sweden and Denmark, the three states which jointly own Scandinavian Airlines (SAS). The discussions are expected to continue for the rest of the week.

The three Scandinavian governments have given notice to *terminate the present* 28-year-old air agreement on December 31, on the ground that it is too biased in Britain's favour.

The British delegation, led by Mr George Rogers, insists that any new agreement must embrace both charter and scheduled flight operations, but the Scandinavians maintain that the talks affect only scheduled flights.

This has led to a strange situation in which the British allow the presence at the talks of observers from both the national carriers, British Airways, and the privately run and charter companies, British Caledonian Airways, Air Anglia and Dan Air, while the Scandinavians *deny a similar privilege* to their own charter operators.

Britain has made the signing of a new agreement conditional on being granted permission to fly more routes to Scandinavia. Under the present agreement Britain considers that SAS represents one country. If the British insist on this—as they are entitled to do—SAS and its charter company Scanair, the Norwegian Braathen Safe Airline and Danish charter firms such as Sterlinge, Conair and Maersk, would be limited to operating exclusively out of Denmark.

Strike causes Air France to cancel 81 flights

Paris, Sept 27.—Air France today made big cuts in its flight programme because of a strike by stewards and stewardesses. The strike, due to last until *tomorrow, started early today* in support of demands for more cabin staff on long-distance flights.

At Paris's two main airports, a total of 81 flights of the airline were cancelled. Officials said only 21 were expected to leave.

A go-slow by air traffic controllers, the sixth this year to support claims for higher pay, better workin gconditions and improved equipment, moved into its sixth day today. Airport officials said the controllers' action had little effect on air traffic.

One of Air France's four Concordes has been temporarily withdrawn from service after developing engine trouble on September 17. It will be overhauled completely.—Reuter.

Need for big Nato exercises reaffirmed by Herr Apel

From a Correspondent
Hanau, West Germany
Sept 27

Complete agreement on the *need for big Nato exercises was* expressed by Herr Hans Apel, the West German Defence Minister, and General Alexander Haig, the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, at a combined press conference here today at the end of the United States Army's Europe exercise "Certain Shield".

British, West German, Belgian and Luxembourg troops also participated in the exercise and General Haig pointed out the importance of such training, adding however that it was up to the politicians to decide whether this type of Nato exercise was acceptable.

Herr Apel emphasized the great value of the manoeuvres and considered the common *Nato scenario fully justified.*

He said there were no differences between Nato and the West German Government on the matter.

A whole American infantry division of 15,000 men was airlifted to Europe to take part in the manoeuvres. They joined up with their heavy equipment which had been prestocked in dumps west of the Rhine and went to assembly areas near Aschaffenburg, in Swabia, before starting the exercise.

Some of the troops took only 96 hours from the moment of notification to get from their home station in Fort Sill, Oklahoma, to their deployment position in the field north-east of Frankfurt.

A British task force from the 1st British corps, consisting of the 5th Inniskilling Dragoon Guards and the 1st Battalion The Devonshire and Dorset *Regiment, all took part.*

OVERSEAS

Nostalgia the keynote as whites meet under former rallying banner

Rhodesian Front bows out as ruling party

From Frederick Cleary
Salisbury, Sept 27

What could be the last annual meeting in its present form of the Rhodesian Front will begin in Salisbury tomorrow. More than 500 delegates will attend.

The conference is likely to hear a lot of nostalgia because everyone realizes that if the party is still in existence next year it will almost certainly be under another name. More importantly, it will not be the governing one.

The Rhodesian Front was formed in the heady days of March, 1962, when the possibility of African majority rule was scoffed at. Lord Angus Graham, the Scottish peer, who was once a senior member of the Cabinet (but who is now a farmer away from public life) gave the party its name. Its purple banner, with the initials RF prominently displayed, became the rallying symbol for those whites who were exasperated with what they regarded as the strong liberal tendencies of the United Federal Party of Southern Rhodesia (as it was then), which was led by Sir Edgar Whitehead.

The Front swept to power in December, 1962, under Mr Winston Field, a paternalistic but far from intransigent tobacco farmer and a former MP in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, and it held complete power in Rhodesia until March this year when the internal settlement was signed and the transitional Government formed.

After Mr Field was unable to wrest independence from the *British Government he was un*ceremoniously pushed aside and in April, 1964, Mr Ian Smith, then Minister of Finance, became Prime Minister. For more than a decade after he unilaterally declared Rhodesia to be independent, this former Royal Air Force pilot has dominated the Rhodesian Front.

The electorate's cry was "Good Old Smithy" as the party carried all before it in successive elections, driving white opposition out of Parliament and black opposition into ineffective splinter groups.

During more than 15 years of Rhodesian Front rule the country, despite sanctions, became one of the most prosperous states in Africa.

But the party leadership also ignored history, world opinion and the growing cry for African political rights.

The outcome has become all too apparent now, with the country wracked by a bloody civil war, the economy in trouble and many whites fleeing a land most of them once regarded as second best to paradise.

The March internal settlement brought three African parties into the Government and Mr Smith, although still the Prime Minister, shares the leadership with three black colleagues on the Executive Council. In effect the Rhodesian Front has gone full circle and there are many whites who label Mr Smith and his colleagues traitors for bowing (in 1975) to the principle of black majority rule.

Just where the rank and file of the party stands on so many complex issues—the majority rule constitution due to come into being next year, the deteriorating economy and the bush war—will provide the *main interest of the party's* annual meeting.

Mr Smith is almost certain to be elected party president once more, although he has promised that when an African Government assumes power he will retire to private life. He is not interested in seeking one of 28 seats allocated to whites under the proposed new constitution. After 30 years in public life and over a decade of the heavy strains of leadership, Mr Smith has had enough and he looks as though he has had enough too. His hair has turned very grey and his walk is stooped and weary.

The party will not seek a successor until he names the time of retirement, but two leading candidates at this stage are Mr Hilary Squires, the Co-Minister of Justice, and Mr Rowan Cronje, a former Dutch Reformed Church preacher but in more recent years one of the most successful and popular members of the Smith Administration in which he held the portfolio for Health, Labour and Education. Both men were born in South Africa.

Owen sense of progress on Rhodesia

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the fighting in Rhodesia, and of recent statements by Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Minister.

"You may as well give up being Foreign Secretary if you can't muster a certain degree of optimism", he explained.

One of the most difficult *issues in the year since the* proposals were first presented has been that of the appointment of a Resident Commissioner who would oversee the independence preparations. Both sides have been anxious about his powers. Dr Owen said yesterday: "I hope now, that after our consultations with the parties, we have found a workable formula for an Executive and Legislative Council with powers on law and order reserved to the Res*ident Commissioner.*"

He then listed the points on which agreement still had to be reached, and in doing so indicated that the Anglo-American position on these is more flexible than it was, particularly on the question of control of the armed forces. "We have presented some of these proposals to the parties in the form of options", he said.

Dr Owen concluded: "We are actively preparing the *ground now for roundtable* talks. I hope we can in the near future issue invitations to all the parties to come to negotiate a final settlement for an independent Zimbabwe."

His speech made no mention of the Bingham report, which showed that British oil companies had been parties to breaches of oil sanctions against Rhodesia. "Contrary to what people think, it is not a very emotive issue in Africa", he declared.

"We don't have to go about explaining this. We published it and are facing the music."

The speech made only a passing reference to Namibia (South-West Africa), on which *Dr Owen expects to make a* substantive statement during the Security Council meeting expected tomorrow or Friday. At his briefing, he said: "The African group is not putting us under pressure on sanctions at this stage."

He was confident that the Africans would be prepared to let the five Western Security Council members approach the new South African Government to attempt to persuade it to rethink its rejection of the Namibia independence plan presented by the United Nations Secretary-General. He was reluctant to speculate whether, if such persuasion failed, Britain would then be prepared to approve sanctions against South Africa.

He indicated that it was for the Americans to take the leading part in the decision, because American compliance would be needed to make sanctions effective. "If the United States had played a much firmer hand in Africa in the mid-sixties", he said, "history would be different from what it is now."

The early part of his speech touched on questions of development and disarmament. In a reference to the United Nations stalemate over redistribution of resources, he said: "It would be a failure of statesmanship on both sides if the *North-South dialogue, as in the* early 1970s, became again an exchange of sterile slogans."

He pointed out that Britain was one of only seven countries that had acted to relieve the debt burden of poor countries. It was a tough political decision "which will undeniably cost us jobs at home



Dr Owen in the office of Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General (right).

Mr Ian Smith agrees colonial rule is a possibility

Johannesburg, Sept 27.—Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, sai dtoday he did not rule out the possibility of Rhodesia abandoning 12 years of breakaway independence and reverting temporarily to British colonial rule. But he did rule out any possibility of further talks with the two Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance leaders, Mr Joshua Nkomo and Mr Robert Mugabe.

Speaking on South African radio, Mr Smith, who is visiting South Africa, noted there had recently been speculation on a move to restore colonial rule.

"However, I want to point out that we have had no such firm proposals put to us (by the British Government) and this isn't anything which has received serious consideration by people in Rhodesia.

"I am not saying that this is not a possibility, that it may not come up some time.

Mr Smith continued: "I speak on behalf of all the members of the Rhodesian transitional Government when I say we would find it particularly obnoxious to have to talk with people like Nkomo and Mugabe."

He added: "We do not see any alternative at the moment to the British and American Governments accepting their responsibility and taking the initiative and trying to give the Rhodesians and the internal settlement the attention which is desrves

Our Salisbury Correspondent writes: Mr David Smith, the Rhodesian Deputy Prime Minister, gave warning tonight that no progress would be possible towards an all-party settlement conference as long as Dr David Owen, the Foreign Secretary, was to be present. He said Dr Owen had committed a grave political, and most regrettable mistake. His impartiality was wholly suspect because he had openly championed Mr Nkomo as the best leader for Rhodesia.

"An umpire shoud not, and must no,t take sides", Mr Smith told Salisbury businessmen.

Vorster statement helps Mr P. W. Bot

Fro Nicholas Ashford
Cape Town, Sept 2

As members of Africa's ruling National gathered here for tomoi caucus meeting oo cho *successor to Mr John Vo* there were growing indic that Mr P. W. Botha Defence Minister, woul elected Prime Minister.

His candidacy has enhanced by a statemen night by Mr Vorster, co *ing the now defunct D* ment of Information whic controlled by Mr Botha's cipal rival, Dr C. P. M the Minister for Plural tions.

Mr Vorster's statement that a special committee he set up earlier this ye investaigate the Departme Information scandal hac yet completed its work. statement was made response to a weekend i in *Die Transvaler* that committee had cleared Mulder's name.

The newspaper is the n piece of the National pa the Transvaal where Mulder is the party leade is also a director of the which controls the newspa

Mr Vorster's state cleared Dr Mulder and former officials of imp expenditure on the Depar of Information's accounts. It also said, hov that the investigation into the money had been spen not yet complete.

Political observers reg Mr Vorster's statement body blow to Dr Mu chances of succeeding It was pointed out that the could hardly elect as Minister a man whose pr *activities were still* official investigation.

Some observers believe Mr R. F. Botha, the Fo Minister, who until now been trailing in third may have emerged as Mr Botha's principal rival i leadership struggle. Ho he is not thought to have cient support to overtak Defence Minister.

Attempts were still made this evening to per Dr Mulder and Mr R. F. to stand down before t row's caucus meeting in to avoid a vote having taken.

There is concern in Na list circles about the uni the party in view of the dership struggle of the week. However by to here was no sign that e or both of them would down.

The caucus meeting is to begin at 10.30 tomo morning. The meeting first choose a candidat stand for the state presid This is certain to be Mr ter, who indicated when announced his retirement week that he would make self available for that post.

The new President will chosen on Friday when Houses of Parliament mee an electoral college nominate a successor to late Dr Nicolaas Diederichs.

After Mr Vorster's n nation, the caucus will elect his successor. If all t candidates are *still in the* test tomorrow, there will two votes. The first will icate the candidate with least votes and the second be a run-off between the finalists.

If Mr R. F. Botha is e imated in the first round, l expected to throw his we behind Mr P. W. Botha.

When the meeting i the new Prime Minister make an address to the n from the steps of Parliamen

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Dr Soares sees president in effort 'to clarify doubts'

From Our Correspondent
Lisbon, Sept 27

Dr Mario Soares, Portugal's former Socialist Prime Minister, was received in audience this morning by President Eanes.

After the interview, which he had requested, Dr Soares said that the conversation had turned "on the future, not on the past". It was important to clarify doubts on both sides, he added.

Since the Socialist leader was dismissed by the President at the end of July, there has been an obvious cooling of relations between the two.

President Eanes has begun a new round of talks with the political parties, with the aim of replacing the *non-political* Government of Senhor Nobre da Costa, whose programme was rejected by the Assembly on September 14. This Government is, however, continuing administrative activities until it is replaced.

The consultations began yesterday with a delegation from the Communist Party, headed by Dr Alvaro Cunhal, the secretary-general. They were followed by the Social Democrats, led by Dr Francisco Sa Carneiro, and more talks are proceeding with the Socialists and Christian Democrats.

Dr Cunhal told President Eanes that the Communists were ready to assume responsibilities in the next government alongside the other parliamentary *parties.*

Seven killed in railway tunnel explosion

Oviedo, Spain, Sept 27.—A train carrying more than 1,000 tons of petrol and diesel oil exploded in a railway tunnel in northern Spain today, killing seven railway workers.

Firemen wearing breathing equipment provided by nearby mines fought the fire in the one mile tunnel after the accident.

Railway officials said the train apparently stopped in the tunnel because of an electricity failure. When another train tried to pull it clear there were several explosions.

Three railway workers staggered out of the tunnel after the explosion but the officials said the remaining seven on the *train had no chance of survival.*

Zambia poll challenge by Dr Kaunda's opponents

Lusaka, Sept 27.—Opponents of President Kaunda have applied to the Zambian High Court to have his nomination as sole presidential candidate in elections next December declared null and void, their lawyers said today.

The move was seen as a direct challenge to Dr Kaunda *and his ruling United National* Independence Party (Unip) to prove they had not flouted the constitution.

Dr Kaunda was nominated sole presidential candidate by Unip's national council and general conference earlier this month under controversial constitutional amendments passed at the same time.

But lawyers for Mr Simon Kapwepwe, the former Vice-President, and Mr Harry Nkumbula said today they would argue in the High Court next month that the amendments had not been formally passed. Decisions taken under them, including Dr Kaunda's nomination, were thus null and void.

Mr Kapwepwe, Mr Nkumbula and a Lusaka businessman, Mr Robert Chiluwe, announced earlier this year that they would seek the presidential nomination.

The main challenge was seen as that of Mr Kapwepwe, who is regarded as the spokesman of the powerful Bemba-speaking peoples of the Copperbelt and northern Zambia.

The High Court hearing is to *take place on October 2 and 3.*

Cholera kills 17 as floods hit India again

Delhi, Sept 27.—Seventeen deaths from Cholera were reported today as India suffered new flooding which sent waist-deep water surging through the *streets of Calcutta.* Ten more *people were reported killed by* floods in the southern state of Tamil Nadu.

The new floods come barely two weeks after India suffered the worst flooding this century. Calcutta, a city of nine million people, was virtually paralysed after a deluge of 8.8 inches

The cholera deaths were reported from the Muzaffarpur district of Bihar state, north-west of Calcutta. The Press Trust of India news agency said the disease had broken out *in a virulent form*

Vietnam intensifying war preparations, China says

Peking, Sept 27.—China today accused Vietnam of intensifying war preparations along their common border as Peking's delegation to the Hanoi talks on the future of ethnic Chinese in Vietnam left for home.

Diplomatic observers in Peking said the fact that the full Chinese delegation had left Hanoi indicated that there was little chance of an early resumption of the talks, adjourned at China's insistence yesterday.

The negotiations to settle the future of more than one million ethnic Chinese in Vietnam opened on August 8 after the exodus of more than 160,000 *refugees to China. The talks*

were marked by acrimor exchanges and expelling ese residents, a charge de by Hanoi.

The new China news ag said today that the Vietnar har been "escalating their China campaign' 'and "e ing a war atmosphere".

The Chinese accusation increased war activity in nam came after charges Hanoi of a build-up of tro aircraft, artillery and tanks *the Chinese side.*

The official Vietnam newspaper Nhan Dan said day the Chinese decision leave Hanoi "is a deliberate which clearly shows the C ese authorities' thorou negative attitude in the neg *ations*".—Reuter.

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Firm Sadat line keeps critics of Camp David accord in Egypt quiet

From Robert Fisk
Cairo, Sept 27

In the aftermath of the Camp David agreement, public dissent has been noticeably absent in the press, although a glance at the smaller items in the morning newspapers here suggests a reason.

Beneath the banner headlines about Mr Begin's arguments in the Knesset and the forthcoming return of Sinai, you can find paragraphs like the following from this morning's edition of the semi-official newspaper *Al-Ahram*: "The communist organization arrested in Alexandria last week comprised 20 members, all of whom were employees. None were students. Printing machines, as well as leaflets prepared for distribution, were found at the disposal of the organization. Investigations of members of the organization are under way".

Such items were common enough a year ago after President Sadat had announced the discovery of an allegedly Soviet-supported conspiracy to set up mosques and churches, and with his extraordinary journey to Jerusalem they disappeared.

But at the height of his peace initiative, even the Egyptian socialists admitted that only 10 per cent of their supporters were in prison. But in the few days since the Camp David agreement, those tell-tale articles have begun to reappear.

There are few facts in them, but the message is obvious. As one senior Egyptian diplomat put it today with the kind of bluntness that one has come to expect among civil servants here over the past year, "Sadat is not going to let anyone in Egypt upset the Camp David agreements.

Seventy or perhaps 80 per cent of the Egyptian people support him. But he cannot have trouble at such critical stage. If there is serious dissent, it will be smashed." And with those words, the official brought the flat of his hand down with a bang on the table in front of him.

The same diplomat did not believe, however, that the Egyptian leader would use much overt repression to smother his critics. There were unlikely to be any trials.

"He will treat them like he treated the journalists and politicians whose work was curtailed this summer or who were forbidden to leave the country", he said. "The sword of Damocles will hang over them; and they will say nothing."

Perhaps free speech is the price that the Egyptians will be expected to pay for what is known in the Government here as "an agreement of imperfection". The authorities have already been given the word of the Palestine Liberation Organization in Cairo that the local PLO representatives will not raise Caine in the future, however much the Palestinian movement roars its disapproval of President Sadat in Damascus.

Mr Sadat, if he is truly satisfied with the results of today's debate in the Knesset, will tell the People's Assembly here tomorrow that the Camp David agreement represents the very first step towards Palestinian self-determination, a movement that has previously been circumscribed within the resolutions of the United Nations.

Aware of Mr Begin's repeated refusals to compromise on the issue of Palestinian statehood, Mr Sadat apparently admits to his closest colleagues that the pursuit of Palestinian interests may prove fruitless.

But he regards this step-by-step approach to Palestinian statehood—a policy of "creeping forward", as an official here put it—as the only hope of progress. Mr Begin, it is repeatedly said in Cairo, may no longer be in power when the West Bank's sovereignty becomes an issue in five years' time.

If the Camp David agreement was specific and resolved all outstanding issues, so goes the theory, then no one in Egypt would want to stifle debate. But as it is, few of the criticisms voiced elsewhere in the Arab world have been reported in Cairo.

The visit of President Assad of Syria to King Husain of Jordan yesterday, for example, was treated by the Egyptian press as if it was a routine state occasion. There was no hint in the reports of the meeting that the Syrian and Jordanian leaders were discussing the flaws in the Camp David accord.

President Assad was in Saudi Arabia today to explain to Prince Fahd bin Abdul Aziz, who is deputizing for King Khalid, why Syria, Libya, South Yemen, Algeria and the PLO have rejected the outcome of Camp David.

The Saudi news agency reported that the talks were "very constructive" although the Cairo press is unlikely to regard them as such.

Developments in Cairo are, meanwhile, being reported by four Israeli journalists currently ensconced in the Nile Hilton Hotel in the Egyptian capital.



Mr Menachem Begin, Israel's Prime Minister (left), conferring with Mr Yigal Yadin, his deputy (right); and Mr Ezer Weizman, the Defence Minister, during the crucial Knesset debate yesterday.

Saudi satisfaction: Mr Hassan al-Tohamy, a Deputy Prime Minister and a close adviser to President Sadat, returned to Cairo tonight, declaring that King Khalid at Saudi Arabia was "satisfied" with the explanation of the Camp David accords.

He met the King in Geneva yesterday. Mr Tohamy, a devout Muslim, held in high esteem by the Saudia Arabians, was entrusted by Mr Sadat with the task of softeing the Saudi Government's opposition to the agreements.

Today, King Khalid flew from Switzerland to the United States where he is expected to undergo heart surgery.

The monarch, who is 65 and reported to be seriously ill, was flying directly to Cleveland, Ohio, for the surgery. It is believed to be the second operation in six years and is scheduled for the end of the week.—UPI.

Nobel nomination: President Sadat has been nominated for this year's Nobel Peace Prize by Dr Henry Kissinger, the former American Secretary of State, it was disclosed in Oslo today.

Mr Jakob Sverdrup, the director of the Norwegian Nobel Peace Prize Committee, confirmed reports that Mr Sadat's name had been put forward among 50 others. He said the Egyptian leader had been nominated by Dr Kissinger, himself a peace Prize winner, and by Dr Bruno Kreisky, the Austrian Chancellor.

The ground given was Mr Sadat's peace mission to Israel last year.—Reuter.

Libya presses Sahara rebels to make peace

From Ian Murray
Wad al Nasr, Sahara, Sept 27

The fourth biennial congress of the Polisario Front started here last night with an enthusiastic session, full of promises of a fight for independence in the former Spanish Sahara which would continue to victory. There were messages of support from left-wing governments, parties and movements and a commitment was made to release eight Spanish fishermen caught inside waters claimed by the guerrilla movement.

This congress falls in a period when the overthrow in July of the Government in Mauritania has led to a peace initiative that ironically increases the threat of war between Morocco and Algeria, which supports the Polisario.

The Polisario Front announced a unilateral ceasefire with Mauritania only two days after the overthrow of President Moktar Ould Daddah. Since then, Moroccan pressure on the new Mauritanian Government not to abandon their joint efforts against the Polisario has held up the peace initiative, and a central question for the congress to decide is whether to continue the ceasefire.

The decision to release the fishermen, which was taken by Polisario leaders the day before the congress opened means it is almost certain that the ceasefire will continue, though conditions and time limits may be imposed.

The congress is taking place in the middle of the desert, three hour's lurching drive by Land-Rover from the sun-cracked border town of Tinduf. It is difficult to imagine a place more inhospitable. Yet the congress is housed in brand new tents, the guests have bottled mineral water and cans of American apple juice to drink and last night there was steak and chips for supper.

The convoy bringing foreign delegates across the desert comprised two dozen or more new Land-Rovers. A guard of honour in crisp khaki drill and with new Kalashnikov rifles presented arms on the camp's parade ground. To judge by the congress, the Polisario is a wealthy, well equipped revolutionary front.

This picture of desert opulence is not to be found in the 22 refugee camps where the women, children and old people of the "Sahraui Republic" live in great poverty, but it is proof of the extensive material support given to the Polisario as a fighting force by Algeria and Libya.

The question the Polisario leaders are facing is how long they can continue to rely on that support and still retain the independence of action for which they are fighting. There are signs at this congress that they are under increasing pressure from Libya to reach an interim compromise settlement whereby Mauritania would agree to withdraw all claims to territories annexed after the 1975 "green march".

Such a solution would be a step towards the creation of Colonel Gaddafi's cherished idea of an Arab federation of North African states, but for the moment at least it falls short of the aims of the Polisario leadership—quite apart from the fact that King Hassan declared last month that he would not tolerate the creation of a state with a hostile government along Morocco's southern border.

To the Polisario leadership, such a solution is out of the question at the moment. In his opening speech Mr Muhammad Abdelaziz, the Front's general-secretary, denounced any manoeuvres or plots tending to "partial solutions". Nevertheless, he twice gave warm thanks to Libya in his speech, while reserving his main praise for Algeria and President Boumedienne.

With strong Algerian backing the leaders seem determined to try to force a military solution against Morocco.

The Polisario believes that it was in large measure responsible for the collapse of President Ould Daddah's regime in Mauritania. It believes it can do the same to King Hassan and points to Morocco's failing economy as proof. President Boumedienne, of Algeria, at least shares the Polisario's hopes and is prepared to give the needed military and logistical support.

The Polisario knows, however, that it needs more international recognition. Thus the opening session was largely devoted to hearing and cheering foreign delegates. Telegrams, including one from the British Labour Party, were acclaimed.

In the main, however, the leadership feels that it must be prepared to force a negotiated settlement by fighting. The more successful the Polisario is in the field, the greater the danger of war between its mentor, Algeria, and Morocco.

Rift grows between Mr Carter and blacks

From David Cross
Washington, Sept 27

President Carter's relations with black members of Congress deteriorated sharply during an angry meeting at the White House yesterday.

Mr John Convers, a Democratic member of the House of Representatives, from Michigan, stormed out of the meeting before it ended claiming that the Administration was dragging its feet over legislation to provide more jobs for the underprivileged.

He was particularly upset that his proposal for a Camp David style of summit to provide fresh momentum for various pieces of legislation now blocked in Congress was rejected by Mr Carter.

Black members of Congress who make up the 16-member black caucus on Capitol Hill are concerned that the Humphrey-Hawkins full employment Bill, as well as legislation to promote equal rights and to help firms run by blacks and other minority groups, will not be approved before Congress goes into recess probably in the middle of next month. They believe that the Administration is giving priority to other legislation.

Mr Carter's relations with representatives of the black community have been cool for several months. Mr Parren Mitchell, chairman of the congressional caucus, told reporters after yesterday's meeting that the President's performance now would be an "acid test" of his concern for the minorities which supported him during his successful election campaign two years ago.

Congressman is facing censure by colleagues

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, Sept 27

For the first time since the early 1920s a member of the House of Representatives faces the possibility of being censured by his colleagues.

A unanimous decision by the ethics committee of the lower house today recommended that Mr Edward Roybal, a Democratic member from California, should be disciplined for his role in the South Korean influence-buying scandal popularly known here as the Koreagate Affair.

Mr Roybal was found guilty by the committee of accepting and failing to report a $1,000 (about £506) cash campaign contribution from Mr Tongsun Park, the South Korean rice dealer and lobbyist, of using the money improperly and then lying to the committee.

The committee's recommendation now goes to the full house. If a majority of members approve the censure motion Mr Roybal would be subjected to the humiliating experience of standing before his colleagues

Indonesia frees 1,300 detainees

From Peter Hazelhurst
Jakarta, Sept 27

Bowing to international pressure for the respect of human rights, the Indonesian Government today released 1,324 political prisoners who had been detained without trial for early 13 years.

The prisoners, alleged to be members of the banned Communist Party, who were rounded up after an abortive coup in 1965, were released in Semarang, Central Java.

Western diplomats and other observers who witnessed their release said the prisoners appeared to be healthy. President Suharto's critics claim that nearly 400,000 political prisoners have been incarcerated without trial over the past 13 years. Many of them were detained on the notorious and inaccessible island of Buru, where they had to eke out a living on prison farms.

A spokesman for the armed services told journalists today that 14,324 category "B" prisoners — political suspects against whom there is not enough evidence to warrant a trial—were still in detention. An estimated 9,500 were held on Buru island.

President Suharto's régime has declared that it will release 10,000 political prisoners this year. About 4,180 suspects were released in July, and another 4,000 prisoners held on political charges for the past 13 years are to be set free in December.

According to a government spokesman, an estimated 10,000 political prisoners were released last year. Another 300,000, classified as "moderate" prisoners, were freed between 1970 and 1975, he added.

Two thousand more, reported to be hard-core members of the Communist Party, are awaiting trial. Leaders of the party, including its former chairman, Mr D. N. Aidit, were executed in the late 1960s.

Most of the prisoners were arrested in 1965 when an abortive coup touched off a bloody clash between Muslim nationalists and communist sympathizers. Hundreds of thousands of people were reported to have been killed in the ensuing massacre.

While visiting Indonesia last May, Vice-President Mondale of the United States discussed the question of human rights with President Suharto. Without pressing the subject, Mr Mondale informed the Indonesian leader that Congress in Washington had "reacted favourably" to reports that Indonesia had released 10,000 political prisoners last year.

Government officials today denied suggestions that the latest group of prisoners had been released because of growing international pressures on human rights. An official in Jakarta said they had been set free because "the Government's process of investigation is now complete". He added: "They have repented and there is no reason to hold them any longer".

However, Western diplomats believe that prisoners are being released to the scrutiny of the public only after their health has been fully restored. The Government came under heavy criticism last year, when many of the released prisoners indicated they had received little or no medical attention while they were held on Buru Island.

In recent years many Western organizations, including Amnesty International, have demanded that Indonesian political prisoners should either be brought to trial or released.

Pakistan separates Muslim and non-Muslim voters

From Our Correspondent
Islamabad, Sept 27

More than 1,100 registration officers and their assistants are being appointed by the Pakistan Government to prepare separate electoral lists of Muslim and non-Muslim voters for the general elections next year. The Government decided to discard joint lists of voters prepared two years ago at considerable cost and labour.

Despite protests from a number of political parties urging the Government not to introduce a separate electoral system and delay the holding of general elections, General Zia ul-Haq, the President and Chief Martial Law Administrator, promulgated the new system amending the constitution on Sunday.

The constitution provides for the election of minority representatives to reserved seats by the members of the national and provincial assemblies elected to general seats. But now non-Muslims will elect their representatives to reserved seats in assemblies and will have very limited representation.

Burma resettles Muslims

From Our Correspondent
Rangoon, Sept 27

Small groups of the hundreds of thousands of Muslims who fled Burma for Bangladesh, alleging persecution have returned home.

So far 165 who left Arakan have been resettled, 58 on August 31 and 10 on September 15 from Taungbro Letwei camp and 97 on September 21 from Welataung camp.

The Government news agency says that if weather is fine and communications improve, more people are expected to return. The monsoon is receding.

Last week Colonel Sein Lwin, the Home Minister, accompanied by U Khin Maung Ti, his deputy, inspected five receiving and 10 transit camps where repatriation appears to be going smoothly. Representatives of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees have said they are satisfied with Burma's resettlement measures.

In brief

Limitation plea in Nazi case

Brasilia, Sept 27.—Gustav Franz Wagner, a former Nazi death camp official, cannot be extradited because his alleged crimes were committed outside Brazil's 20-year statute of limitations, his counsel argued yesterday.

Senhor Flavio Augusto Marx told the Federal Supreme Court here that the extradition requests from the countries that wanted to try Herr Wagner for war crimes did not identify him beyond all doubt.

Mercenary leader leaves Comoros

Moroni, Sept 27.—M Bob Denard, the French mercenary leader who led the 50-man commando which ousted former President Ali Soilih on May 13, was leaving the Como Islands "through the front door and with his head held high", Mr Ahmed Abdallah, the joint President, said at a farewell ceremony here. M Denard has quit as commander-in-chief of the armed forces.

Vasectomy settlement

Minneapolis, Kansas, Sept 27.—A man who sued a local clinic for $200,000 (£100,000) alleging that he was given a vasectomy instead of a circumcision, has settled out of court for substantially less, according to his lawyer.

Rail strike ultimatum

Washington, Sept 27.—Mr Ray Marshall, President Carter's Labour Secretary, has told both sides in the National rail strike, now in its second day, to settle their differences within 24 hours or face government intervention.

Mrs Gandhi to stand

Delhi, Sept 27.—Mrs Indira Gandhi, the former Prime Minister is to stand for Parliament in a by-election scheduled for November in Chickmagalur constituency, Karnataka state, south India.

Hua-Haferkamp talks

Peking, Sept 27.—A delegation from the EEC led by Herr Wilhelm Haferkamp, External Affairs Commissioner, met Chairman Hua Kuo-feng to discuss ways of boosting trade.

Cuban train derailed

Miami, Sept 27.—At least three people were killed and 73 injured when the engine and eight cars of a passenger train went off the rails near Tunas, Havana radio reported.

America to sell more arms to Yugoslavia

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, Sept 27

The United States has agreed to increase its arms sales to Yugoslavia after talks here between Mr Harold Brown, the Defence Secretary, and his Yugoslav counterpart, General Nikolai Ljubicic.

According to Pentagon officials, American arms sales to Yugoslavia have been running at about $500,000 (about £253,000) a year since 1961 and it was agreed last October that a moderate increase would be in order.

The Administration has now approved sales worth a total of some $1.4m during the present financial year. They include such items as ammunition, radios, radars, a jet aircraft engine and various small weapons.

There are also talks between the two countries to increase sales further during the coming year. Depending on which weapons systems Belgrade decides to buy the value of the deals could total between $5m and $10m.

Flow of Jewish emigration from Russia increasing

By Richard Davy

Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union is increasing. According to Mr A. L. Dulzin, chairman of the Jewish Agency, this year's figure could reach 24,000 compared with 17,000 in 1977 and 14,000 in 1976. That will still be below the peak of 34,000 in 1972, when Soviet-American relations were good, he said at a press luncheon in London yesterday.

The number of Jews who request affidavits from relatives in Israel—the first step towards emigration—has also gone up. The figure has risen from 58,000 in 1976 to 71,000 in 1977 and to 100,000 in the first nine months of this year. Mr Dulzin could offer no political explanation for the rising number of permissions to emigrate.

Only about half the Jews who leave the Soviet Union now go to Israel. Jewish leaders are worried about the trend and hope to reverse it by providing emigrants with better information about Israel to counteract steady denigration in the Soviet press. They also believe that a lasting peace settlement could help.

Mr Dulzin said that he was deeply concerned about the growth of antisemitic propaganda in the Soviet Union "We consider this a great danger not only for the Jews but also for the democratic world", he said. A "blue book" on the subject will be appearing shortly.

Two other problems are also worrying Jewish leaders. One is the treatment of Soviet Jews who apply for emigration but are refused and then harassed in various ways, often being dismissed from their jobs and sometimes imprisoned.

The other is the survival of Jewish culture, The Jews, Mr Dulzin said, were the only nationality in the Soviet Union deprived of schools, communal organizations and cultural facilities. According to official Soviet statistics, there are just over two million Jews in the Soviet Union, but Mr Dulzin put the figure at nearer three million.

Eight die as plane crashes in street

San Juan, Puerto Rico, Sept 27.—Eight people were killed and six injured when a light aircraft crashed and burnt out in a crowded residential street here last night.

Six of the victims were on board the twin-engine Beechcraft. The other two were in a car that was crushed by the falling aircraft.

Four of the injured people were playing dominoes on the pavement in front of a grocery shop, and the other two were pedestrians. The doors of the grocery shop were blown off by the force of the explosion when the aircraft crashed.

Eye witnesses said that the Beechcraft was closely following an Eastern Airlines jet and appeared to collide with the airliner in mid-air.

However, the pilot of the Eastern airliner reported that one of the Beechcraft's engines appeared to explode in mid-air. He denied that there had been any physical contact between the two aircraft.

The pilot of the Beechcraft had been in radio contact with the San Juan airport tower moments before the crash. He gave no indication that he was in trouble.

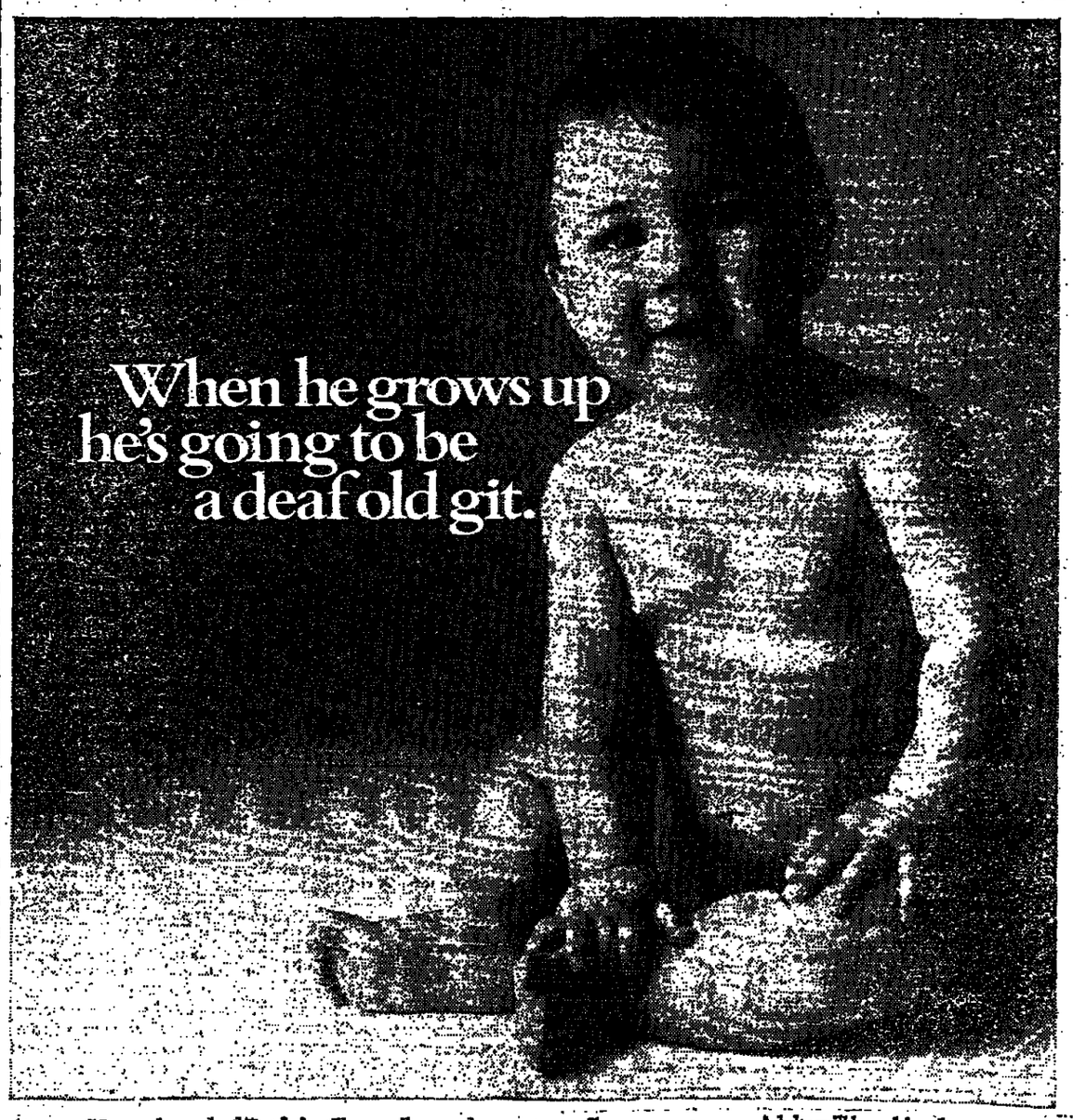
Police arrived at the accident site to keep crowds away from the smouldering wreckage. Firemen flooded the area with water in an effort to put out the flames, and the water rose to the doors of the houses lining the street.—AP.

Crash theory: A third aircraft may have contributed to Monday's mid-air collision over San Diego, California, between a Boeing 727 airliner and a light aircraft in which 150 people were killed, according to an aviation safety expert.

Mr Phillip Hogue, of the National Transportation Safety Board, said a twin-engined private Cessna had asked for permission to land on the same runway as the Boeing 727 airliner.

He noted that the pilots of the Boeing and the light aircraft with which it collided, a single-engined Cessna on a training flight, were warned by the control tower that they were on a collision course.

The pilot of the second Cessna, which landed normally, will be questioned by investigators.—Agence France-Presse.



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NEW BOOKS

A Victorian gentleman

William Makepeace Thackeray
Memoirs of a Victorian Gentleman
By Margaret Forster
(Secker & Warburg, £8.75)

The pudding is getting overcooked. Thackeray said he wanted no life of himself to be written. In 1910 his daughter, Lady Ritchie, scattered her memories of him by way of introductions to the 26 volumes of the "Centenary biographical edition" of his works. In 1945 Professor Gordon Ray published four volumes of Thackeray's *Letters and Private Papers*, following them up 10 years later with a two-volume biography. Now comes Margaret Forster with Thackeray's "autobiography".

Of course it is not. At first one is tempted to describe it as a Mike Yarwood of a book. Unfortunately, that is precisely where it fails. Margaret Forster's claim that the life she narrates is seen entirely through Thackeray's eyes—she quickly stopped reading Professor Ray's biography because she realized it would tell her sides of the story that Thackeray did not know—can be accepted. So can be her assurance that every fact she relates is right. It is the tone of voice that is wrong.

This is a criticism she anticipates. "It is of course impertinent of me to presume I can write in the style of Thackeray, though to those purists who shudder with *horror* and anger I would point out that the style of Thackeray the letter—and diary—writer is quite other than that of Thackeray the novelist and essayist . . . in his notes and letters, which were colloquial and relaxed" he was "often racy to the point of being ungrammatical".

The trouble is that he is supposed to be writing these memoirs in 1862, the year before he died. His letters at that time had only rare flashes of the old fooleries. He suffered, as his diary shows, from "repeated stomach derangements, sickness, ague, fever, &c". Little happened to make him ebullient. Even if every phrase used by Margaret Forster that seems to have a twentieth century ring can be found in the large Oxford English Dictionary to have been used in Thackeray's time, they sound wrong in this context. Thackeray would not have written this autobiography.

Such criticism concerns only ardent Thackerayans. How many are left? Others can read these "memoirs of a Victorian gentleman" just for the tale they have to tell. A very good tale it is; moving, amusing, occasionally exciting, without a dull stretch. The tragedy of Thackeray's marriage is sensitively handled. So is his relationship with his children and his mother. One is not so happy about Jane Brookfield. But then one has never been happy about the Brookfields. Sally Baxter is nicely kept in her place.

The Yates affair has interested later generations largely because of Dickens's part in it. Because readers of Victorian novels have sometimes been divided into Dickensians and Thackerayans, the quarrel between the two men has come to be overplayed. It is doubtful if either ever saw the other as a real rival. Margaret Forster's depiction of this is a good example of the book's style:

So, in my youthful—well, middling youthful—arrogance I had the temerity not to want to be Dickens. Good—Dickens was never in danger anyway for my talents, such as they were, were different. Cold-blooded again you see, toting up my own talents. . . . My style I knew to be flippant, tending towards the sarcastic and aiming for the satirical. I had plenty of fire in my belly when I warmed to a subject—furious diatribes were quite in order. I had, though it may surprise you, a degree of moral fervour—don't that sound ghastly—and a critical appreciation of the finer points of life.

The travels and the lecture tours are well done. *The Cornhill Magazine* triumph provides one of the happiest chapters. The book is enriched with over a hundred and sixty of Thackeray's drawings, cleverly placed.

William Haley



One of Thackeray's own drawings

Very strange

Mysteries
By Colin Wilson
(Hodder & Stoughton. £9.95)

The trouble with much evidence about the occult is that it is second (if not fifth) hand and unconvincing, especially to someone like myself who has never had (to the best of his knowledge) any experience which might remotely be described as occult. Despite the fact that some scientists have turned their attention to allegedly "occult" events, the results remain confusing. Professor John Taylor examined Yuri Geller under laboratory conditions, and published a book which confirmed that something very strange was going on. Now, one gathers, he has recanted: Perhaps it was all sleight of hand. But much stranger Gellerphonemena than he saw are here represented as unquestionably verified. Mr Wilson saw him perform them: or at least heard about them. Ah, but only personal experience counts—and *perhaps, after all, not even that.*

This kind of caveat is alas necessary before one starts to consider, or perhaps even read, such books as this. It is not a critical book in the sense that, say, Geoffrey Dean's *Recent Advances in Natal Astrology* is critical (that indeed is a model for writers such as Mr Wilson and Brian Inglis). What *Mysteries* does is re-present a large number of theories by occultists, some professional and some amateur, and an even larger number of accounts of occult experiences—ghosts, UFOs, out-of-the body experiences, ley-lines—and attempt a synthesis.

Colin Wilson does this kind of thing brilliantly, with panache, persuasiveness and charm. Roughly (and a rough summary is all that is possible) he speculates on the fact, which more than he have suspected, that man is only using a fraction of the abilities with which he was born, and suspects that the human race could if it chose plug in, as it were, to vast energy fields which perhaps man once knew, but which are now only discerned by a very few human beings (including, for instance, dowsers).

These fields of force may be those, he thinks, which "record" tragic or vivid emotional events so that they react, perhaps years later, upon living people as "ghosts" or ghostly experiences. These are perhaps experienced at different levels of consciousness to those with which we are familiar—levels of consciousness "further up the ladder", which also provide us with those rare visions of great happiness and awareness which can persuade us that life is perhaps less fleeting and shallow than it appears.

There is much more than this: the lost art of memory, alchemy as a psychological process, "Magic" as an unexplored power of the mind, acupuncture as ley-lines of the body, attempts to measure human aura—all find their place in a book which, whether or to what extent one can accept any of its premises or arguments, really changes one's apprehension of what it is to be alive, and renews speculations one had oneself dismissed because one has been, like most people, lulled into the reprehensible notion that the inexplicable is scarcely worth considering.

The message which comes out most strongly from the book is that most of us live for most of the time unaware of the proliferation of nuances in the world around us, and that it behoves us to wake up and look about us. Far from finding the inexplicable unworthy of consideration, Mr Wilson considers it here in probably his most readable flamboyantly argued and compulsively interesting book yet.

Derek Parker

Composited

The Labour Party Conference
A Study in the Politics of Intra-Party Democracy
By Lewis Minkin
(Allen Lane, £15)

The Labour Party conference is normally reported in the press and on television in terms of the embarrassment it may or does cause to the parliamentary leadership: an unthinking bias which derives partly from the Robert McKenzie thesis that the parliamentary party inevitably, and rightly, has established itself as the dominant group within the party, and partly from the media's natural identification with those they work closest with—the party's leadership, MPs and leading trade unionists.

This sense of identification was probably at its height during the campaign by the late Hugh Gaitskell's and his revisionist allies to reverse the Labour conference decision on unilateral disarmament in 1960 and to discredit the notion of the conference's supremacy.

One of the values of this painstaking study by Lewis Minkin of the workings of the conference between 1956 and 1970 is that he has been a party activist and he understands the Labour movement's traditions of collective decision-making and accountability to the rank-and-file.

He has therefore explored areas of the party's life (the work and attitudes of the conference arrangements committee, the role of unknown Transport House officials, the untidy bundling together of resolutions into "composites") which have never before come under such detailed scrutiny. He has further examined the way in which the trade unions *shape* and govern their participation in Labour Party affairs (and there's a fascinating case study of manipulation by the late Lord Carron of the engineering union delegation).

All this adds up to a subtle analysis not simply of the conference itself, but also of the internal politics of the Labour Party and the major trade unions, and of their interaction. Many widely-held beliefs about this period turn out not to be quite the evident truths they've seemed to be. Minkin shows, for example, that the transport workers' union didn't suddenly change course leftwards when Frank Cousins became general secretary in 1956; and, indeed, his examination of the strength of "mandating" and the rule book in trade union politics in general wholly undermines the popular myths of "trade union bosses" and "bullies with the big vote."

He demonstrates how the apparent conversion of the Labour Party to revisionist principles in the 1960s—and particularly, the abandonment of the movement's traditional belief in public ownership—was largely achieved by procedural conjuring tricks, highly ambiguous policy documents (which, for example, allowed the TGWU to vote for them while affirming that their proposals were no substitute for nationalization) and the leadership's resourceful use of one tradition they did value: that of loyalty. On two separate occasions, two large unions voted against their mandates to bail out "the platform." Minkin's study of trade union mandates for the period and what is known of constituency party opinion suggests that the movement actually remained faithful to its basic belief in public ownership.

Minkin explores the weaknesses and ambiguities of the case for democracy within the party, but finally argues strongly, on grounds both of principle and practical politics, for giving the rank-and-file more power—not least because an extra parliamentary party, charged with responsibility for policy-making, can act (in Richard Crossman's phrase) as "a battering ram for change" and recharge the radical will of a Labour parliamentary party and government.

Minkin brings new interpretations and perceptions to our knowledge of the Labour movement and to our understanding of the motives and values of the people involved. You are left finally with the feeling that, yes, this is what it must be like. This is probably because Minkin has drawn as much on extensive interviewing (of some 177 people in all) and direct observation as he has on the basic documentation.

Unfortunately he has chosen to sacrifice the advantages of a chronological approach for the sake of an analytical framework and I sometimes wondered if a reader who was unfamiliar with the history would always be able to follow what actually happened. But it is undoubtedly worth persevering: this is likely to become one of the classic works on the Labour movement.

Stuart Weir

Doubts laid bare

Paris Journal 1937-1939
By David Gascoyne
(The Enitharmon Press, 22 Huntingdon Road, London, N2, £4.95)

Paradoxically David Gascoyne could be described as a war poet who did not go to war, in that his *Poems 1939-42*, published by Poetry London Editions in 1943, influenced a whole generation of poets and writers serving in the forces, to whom he was the poet of the Forties. "One of the finest and purest metaphysical poets of the age . . . only his intermittent production and frequent silences have prevented him from presenting a larger and more uniform face to the world." This from Lawrence Durrell in his Preface to Gascoyne's *Paris Journal 1937-1939*. Ill-health, alienation brought on by depression, lack of money, work-blocks, anxiety, procrastination, all have plagued him like the furies and crippled his creative will and energy. As this *Journal* shows (written between the ages of 21 and 23) the roots of these evils were early evident.

Yet before he was 20, David Gascoyne had published four books: at 16 a first volume of poetry, *Roman Balcony*, followed by a novel, *Opening Day*, a study of Surrealism, and a second volume of poetry, *Man's Life is This Meat*. Some have compared him to Rimbaud, not entirely inappropriately, although this particular *Journal* is mind as well as heart "mis à nu". Its ringing despair, seemingly at variance with the handsome young man who spent those years in Paris prior to Munich and that traumatic year that led up to the declaration of the Second World War; a young man with many friends, all eager to help him solve his personal and material problems, bisexual by nature, then experiencing some of the most significant homosexual relaships of his life.

Since the fame of the *Poems 39-42* Gascoyne has published a study of Holderlin, *A Vagrant & Other Poems*, *Night Thoughts*, a poetic sequence put to music by Humphrey Searle by the BBC, and a brilliant monograph about Carlyle for the British Council. For 22 years, silence. This makes the publication of the *Journal* doubly welcome: it suggests that creative life is beginning to stir again for Gascoyne who, since his recent marriage, has been giving some astonishingly vital poetry readings.

The *Journal* holds a double interest. Vividly it conveys the flavour of bohemian life in Paris among writers and artists trapped in that prewar tension, with Gascoyne brutally aware of the political and social forces ("as I write Chamberlain and Hitler must be having tea together") which loomed to smash so many lives. The sense of the young wondering about the future flashes through with intense poignancy: "I wonder, every now and then, whether it is really worth it—this endless poverty, borrowing, uncertainty, frustration—all for the sake of a possibility that I may one day write something that will have value." Names flick about these pages which are recognizable to some—Anais, Barker, Larry, Henry, etc. Footnotes would have been helpful.

What gives this *Journal* its especial merit are Gascoyne's doubts laid bare, which, if immensely personal, are sparks which strike responses in all of us. Clearly his depressions were deeper, more clinical, than those suffered by most young people, because, rarely, except in love ("money and love, the finest tonics in the world"), does he float on the waves of optimism.

I work only with great difficulty; seem to be waiting for something; suffer from a sort of weakening of the will, which makes me put off the writing of letters, paying of debts, etc, keeps me too long in bed in the morning, makes me restless, then inert. Lack of money, therefore of food, therefore of regularity, is, as usual, the chief cause of all this: but the trouble is that I seem incapable of doing anything about it.

All the work blocks are precisely documented, overcome temporarily, every detail of the agony accurately noted, in between social joys and philosophical reflections about poetry and the way to live the good and true life. This youthful *Journal* is a painful document, an invalid scrutinizing his chart every day and only too logically aware of the consequences.

Maybe this publication of the *Journal* will enable David Gascoyne to become a fully creative poet again; one cannot, reading this, suppose that the fountain in him will ever really run dry.

Kay Dick

The title of Rowland Parker's book is *Men of Dunwich* (Collins, £6.50)

Attached to Montgomery

All in the Day's March
By Major-General David Belchem
(Collins, £7.50)

In an engagingly modest foreword General Belchem, who was head of Montgomery's Operations Staff from 1943 to 1945, says that his service in the Middle East and North West Europe was common to many of his age-group. In fact his war service included the North African Desert Campaign, the 1941 intervention in Greece and Crete, the invasions of Sicily, Italy and Normandy and the final campaign through France and Belgium including the most critical moments of the German counter-offensive in the Ardennes, and then on through north-west Germany to the Baltic. Few of his contemporaries had in fact, therefore, so continuous and full an experience of the main thrusts of the British military effort on land throughout World War II, and since—much more importantly—the author was closely and *almost continuously attached* to Montgomery from the *moment of Monty's arrival in the Middle East before Alamein* until the end of the war, General Belchem is uniquely qualified to judge Montgomery himself both as a commander in the field and as a strategist.

All in the Day's March can be read by the general reader lightly as an account of the perfectly timed career of an ambitious, but cheerful and evidently impressionable young tank officer, who came first in the Passing Out Examinations from Sandhurst in 1931 and qualified for the Staff College on the eve of the war, having meanwhile won a mention in despatches in Palestine and high language qualifications in Russian, French and Italian. It is, however, also a clear and important contribution to any understanding of the planning and conduct of the campaigns; the difference between the personalities of Alexander and Montgomery; and the relations between Montgomery and the American commanders.

Though never dull, the prewar and postwar years are of less arresting interest, but General Belchem has some shrewd things to say of Jews and Arabs and particularly of the difference between French and British attitudes in negotiation, of which he had latterly much experience.

It is, however, as a serious contribution to war history that General Belchem's account must primarily be judged, backed up, as it is, by many illustrations and excellent maps. Some will argue that the author's loyalty to Monty, expressed in the final pages with unusual intensity, has at times clouded his judgment, though he is critical enough at times too—for instance of Monty's insensitive handling of many war correspondents (though Bernard Levin later gets an honourable mention), but all in all this is a patently sincere record and the main body of it will certainly be essential and fascinating reading for the serious student of World War II.

A. M. Rendel

Fiction

The Cement Garden
By Ian McEwan
(Cape, £3.50)

If you are sitting comfortably, I will begin. Once upon a time there were four children called Tom, Sue, Jack and Julie. Their mother died. The four children buried their mother's body in a tin trunk in the cellar, and filled it up with garden cement. They told no-one outside about their mother's death, because they were frightened of being put "*into care*". Their house was isolated in the middle of an urban reconstruction area, surrounded by waste-lots of weeds and corrugated iron and smashed concrete. Trying to live with the knowledge of their mother's death, the children vainly attempted to run the household on their own, and to continue the ordinary ways of childhood. But inexorably, all sense of normal life dissolved.

During the hot summer weeks, the cement in the tin trunk cracked open, and a sweet rising smell of corruption pervaded the chaotic house, with its filthy kitchen, its overflowing dustbins, its musty bedrooms. The children tried to explain it away to Julie's new boyfriend, a dapper young man from the "outside" called Derek. They said that it is Jack's favourite dog buried down there in the cellar, a dog who really only exists in a science-fiction story that Jack has been reading. "*When did he die?*", *Derek asked. I said: "It was a she". "What kind of dog?" "Oh, you know," Julie said, "a mixture of things." I added: "But mostly labrador", and briefly, from somewhere, a dog seemed to lift sunken eyes to mine. I shook my head. "What gave you the idea of putting her down there?" "Sort of like preserving her. Like the Egyptians." Derek nodded curtly as if everything was explained.*

Here we are then, already deep in what is now recognizable McEwan country: stories of childhood or adolescence twisted with immaculate craftsmanship into something repellent and fascinating—where nothing ever sits comfortably, and where no rational explanation is ever quite adequate *to account for the sense of* sweet sickness rising out of the everyday.

The novel is narrated by 15-year-old Jack, with a kind of slow, tender, horror. It traces the increasingly dream-like events of that orphaned summer, leading to the final, inevitable discovery by Derek of the dark secrets holding them together. The sickness affects them all. Six-year-old Tom, regresses through a period of dressing-up as a girl, back into the state of a clinging cot-bound baby (a favourite McEwan leitmotif). Sue, the middle child, keeps a diary addressed as a running letter to her mother, which she writes in the cellar sitting on a blood-red chair next to the tin trunk. Jack gradually becomes infatuated with his elder sister Julie. While Julie herself, who is 17, after a brief heroic attempt to exert her womanhood, taking over the running of the house and the common purse, and trying to respond to Derek's courtship and gifts, slowly, smilingly reverts to the primitive sibling state, siding with Jack against Derek, and in the last lyrically executed passage of the book, becoming her brother's lover in baby Tom's bedroom. In a classical, sociological sense, the family structure collapses inwards, implodes.

Derek brings the police, and the "revolving blue light, making its spinning patterns on the bedroom wall, has the sudden shocking effect of the trim grey outline of the naval cruiser, which in William Golding's *Lord of the Flies* heralds the return of an ordered, outside, adult world to an island of corrupted innocents.

For a first novel, it is a darkly impressive piece of work, strongly constructed and visualized, with most acutely rendered dialogue of both word and gesture. McEwan, for all the vo nastiness which has wo two collections of short s such mixed attentions *Love, Last Rites*, 1975; *I tween the Sheets*, 1978), p himself over the longer to be a prose-writer of a *old-fashioned virtue, relyir* the powers of direct fa observation, and clear bu emphatic patterns of s lism which link the wor the cellarage with dreams, waking fantasies adolescent reading.

One's reservations co more his overall artistic i tions. The novel does expand the imaginative tory already plotted out i short stories—and indeed of its peculiar resonanc telling more than it act says, may lie in the echo perverse or morbid fa themes already amply exp in such early pieces as "B made", "Cupboard Man" "Disguises". There is to same gloating over bodily tions, and fluids, and intimacies of the barbre and the same intrusion small, puerile cruelties. F 30-year-old writer this is entirely reassuring, and future of his work is not sure or certain by this book.

But perhaps this is a w acknowledging how much already expect of him. Ce scenes, like that between and Derek at a local Bill Club (the one decisive ve into the "outside"), show touch of real fictional ge an absolute precision economy of intended ef The portrait of Jack's bel Julie, is the undou triumph of the book, obviously intended as depicting a beautiful, w complex and affectionate g hovering between two w and two loyalties—who s how never losses her sens dignity or responsibility ar the encroaching, claustroph chaos of the house. shines out of the incest gloom even when she is c a handstand with no cl on.

Richard Holt

A Five Year Sentence
By Bernice Rubens
(W. H. Allen, £4.25)
The Clique
By Ferdinand Mount
(Chatto & Windus, £4.95)
Bogmail
By Patrick McGinley
(Martin Brian & O'Keeffe, £4.95)
Lady on the Burning Deck
By Catherine Heath
(Cape, £4.95)

All her life Jean Hawkins was obedient. At the start of Bernice Rubens's new and best novel, *A Five Year Sentence*, Miss Hawkins, head cashier in an English sweet factory, is retiring after 46 years of service; trim, anxious, a friendless orphan haunted by suppressed rigour and rage, she can't think of anything to do with her remaining years until her colleagues present her with a five-year diary. In this she writes out daily instructions for herself—it becomes a sort of order book—and gradually she shocks herself by the daring challenges she finds in the pages although she doesn't always remember how they came to be written there.

Miss Rubens, a former Booker prizewinner, has written this novel with such straightforward grace and humour that the growing wild life of Jean Hawkins seems matter-of-fact and is intensely affecting. Miss Hawkins's fantasies, her timid games and needs that become violent, her discovery of bought companionship and sex, are imagined with unpatronising sympathy. She introduces herself, in a library (a respectable centre of fervour), to a retired but quick-witted art salesman, Brian Watts, who in his 60s begins a successful career as a gigolo; their jaunty but sad interdependence is delicately explored; and though Jean Hawkins's rough orphanage memories make her often easier to sympathize with than the rather shifty Brian, as his weakness turns to an obsession for respect he develops as a most subtle creation. The novel's form is classically neat.

Ferdinand Mount's second novel, *The Clique*, is edgy and funny about ambitions in the 1960s and it's satirical about newspapers almost at any time. Mr Mount, though, is serious on deep loyalties and his descriptive writing has the love and verve of a countryman. When his Lincolnshire hero leaves a Fleet Street paper after a blast of rudeness to its editor, he finds he has a flair for provincial sports writing: "It was these afternoons that stuck in his mind . . . the bursting out from warm pubs on to windy touchlines, the beer chilling the pit of his stomach, the sheltering under green trees while the rain billowed over the field, dictating over creaky telephones . . .". If this is loss of ambition, he rejoices in it to the book's unusual happy end.

In about 20 pages he has a stylish picture of New York and a riotous car factory in Ohio, and I wish this section was longer. The story, however, is mainly concerned with three young London women living with men who have odd names (one is called Antic Hay, another is Happy); they swing through the Sixties and some land on their feet in unexpected places.

In *Bogmail*, Patrick McGinley's writing is so good that the book's suspense can times seem like a distrac It's a skilful tale, though, Donegal publican who, se himself up as a murde fighter of evil, finds he desi more than he intended. McGinley's disciplined, rhetoric is a find. There bit of love between a pas Englishman and the Car lively housekeeper, but mo all I recommend the sensit to the mountain and bird of the Irish west coast.

Who are the people think life is contracted to l an expected pattern? question is asked early Catherine Heath's *Lady on Burning Deck* and the ho narrator, warden of an hist literary house off Bloomsb comes clean: she describes self as a middle-aged p podge who likes order and v cares "more for gracious li than for ethical consistenc But she doesn't do her justice because even when hankers for "sober, unsurp ing souls", supposing they e existed, she is full of hum grumpiness and affections.

Catherine Heath writes clear, spare sentences with c siderable humour. The cen idea of young squatters tak over the museum homes Dickens, Carlyle and oth works well. These Victor radicals, the young peo claim, would approve of th slogan, "Homes for the Liv not Shrines for the Dead". a way this is a mode unsentimental continuation the story of Scrooge.

Myrna Blumberg

Crime

Catch Me: Kill Me
By William H. Hallahan
(Gollancz, £4.25)

Literary prize panels have been known before now to reject the obvious in favour of the odd. But the judges for the Mystery Writers of America best novel award for 1977 certainly chose a deserving winner with this book. To begin with it has a truly intriguing plot—why has a harmless dissident Russian poet been kidnapped in New York by KGB agents and stowed away in their untouchable embassy? The answer, when you have hurried through the pages to it, it not a whit disappointing. Then the story is given us through two differeing heroes, a quiet pertinacious Immigration lawyer and a nervy disgraced ex-agent. Can either succeed? Which of them will prove the horse to back? More interest aroused. Next the telling is in a fine, rapid prose which of itself whizzes you along in the best tradition of American mystery writing. And it is used, too, to make comments, on the characters, on life, that give a sharp and unsparing edge to it all. Nowhere is this more in evidence than in some scenes set in a sleazy poolroom, at first apparently digressive though delightfully, even Runyonesquely so, soon to be revealed as a splendidly skilful piece of writing mechanics, a device to build up a sort of "Had I But Known" thread at one remove, once again adding strongly to the tension.

Nor is this all. Hallahan shows himself capable of handling a strong, sombre note as well. Layers are revealed. We go back through the kidnapped poet's work and notebooks to the old Jewish Russia which nurtured him. I even turned at this point to the cover to check that the author's name was Irish and not Hebrew: a mark of the real depth of feeling these passages evoked. So, if you want to know what the crime story can do when it is used to its utmost, here's a prize example.

Flyaway, by Desmond Bagley (Collins, £4.95). What is the secret of the Sahara plane-wreck? From Word One you're off, lively pointed writing, precision plotting. Bagley is one of the very best.

Shadow of the Leopard, by Michael Hartmann (Heinemann, £4.90). Thumping revenge tale set in South Africa and impressively rooted in the saga of her diamond-mining pioneers, if finally flowering too hectically.

Axwater, by Jennie Melville (Macmillan, £3.95). A past murder, a deep English country setting, and a full hand of romantic cards generously dealt (with a joker of intelligence). Hard to better.

The Sting of Death, by Jessica Mann (Macmillan, £3.95). Murder in Cornwall among the simple-lifers. And people are revealed one after another, each in turn to feel the author's tawse.

Grave Mistake by Ngaio Marsh (Collins, £4.50). Village murder (health farm side-swing) *and urbane Alleyn to* solve it. A story that steps briskly, clothed every inch in felicitous prose. Yummy.

The Jensen Scenario, by William Fennerton (Elek, £5.25). Good starter to welcome new crime series. Murder among the Brussels Eurocrats, their ways interestingly and expertly described though they edge out the story.

The Last Weeks of Georges Rivac, by Geoffrey Household (Michael Joseph, £4.95). Two European innocents involved in East-West machinations and running through the English countryside, lovingly depicted. (I complain of mean print).

A Swan-song, Betrayed, by Josephine Bell (Hodder and Stoughton, £3.95). A forgotten best-selling novelist writes again, with murderous consequences. And intriguing idea and vigorous prose spells it out.

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seems to have had an ally deep appreciation of styles and crafts, for he ructed it in the Jacobean with a massive timber ng using timber, bricks and from buildings of about period salvaged from lished buildings. etically all the wood used e house is old, even the oards and staircase. And another 40 or so years passed. The house, in- rally, was built on the site farm and a number of the ildings were retained and ated.

e house has a large recep- tall, two other main recep- rooms, a main bedroom, ing room and bathroom and four further bed- s. One of the outbuildings, ld barn, has been turned a games room 35ft long, here is also a four-roomed cottage.

rdens and grounds bring property up to about 11 . Hampton and Sons, the s, are looking for offers e region of £150,000.

unusual mixture of build- is provided by Coupland e, near Milfield, Northum- nd, which is made up of a eval keep or pele tower joined to a substantial house. The result is an ique house with three re- on rooms, plus gun room, rds room and playroom, seven bedrooms.

so included in the sale are cottages, one of five rooms the other of four rooms, ch is let. The grounds unt in all to about 25 s and include an area of land which is laid out as arboretum. Offers over ,000 are being asked ugh Savills, of London, and Sale and Partners, of ter.

fair amount of land also with Massey's Lodge, at mere, near Sandiway, shire, a property which ds about 23 acres. The se is believed to date from early 18th century with editions, constructed in brick with a central gabled with sash windows and late roof.

lere, there are two recep- n rooms, a main bedroom and bathroom suite and five further bedrooms. A three-bedroomed cottage is also included in the sale, and outbuildings include a stable block. Offers in the region of £100,000 are being asked through Strutt and Parker.

The Canterbury office of the same agents is also offering The Old Vicarage, at Boughton Monchelsea, near Faversham, Kent.

Believed to have been built in the second half of the nineteenth century, it is constructed mainly of stone with a tiled roof and has fine views to the south across the Weald. There are three reception rooms, a playroom, five main bedrooms and three secondary bedrooms.

Additional accommodation is also provided by a small cottage recently formed by the conversion of the stone-built former stable block. Grounds run to about 2½ acres and include a paddock of 1½ acres.

Offers in the region of £95,000 are being looked for.

An extra cottage also goes with Gazerdine House, at Munsley, some four miles from Ledbury, Herefordshire. The main house is Georgian in period, with a shallow-pitched roof with deep eaves, and like all such houses is spacious. Accommodation includes two main reception rooms, a study, a breakfast room and six bedrooms.

In the cottage are two sitting rooms and two bedrooms. The property extends to about 12 acres in all, including two fields, and since there is good stabling as well it would be of interest to those interested in horses.

Offers in the region of £75,000 are being asked through Bernard Thorpe and Partners, of Worcester.

A lot of scope for further conversion is provided by The Old Mill, at Tisbury, near Salisbury, Wiltshire, which comprises the mill house and the mill itself, built astride the stream in the shape of an "L".

So far, only the house has been modernized and the mill left unconverted. The buildings are probably mainly of 17th century origin with many exposed beams, an inglenook fireplace and stone mullioned windows.

The house has two reception rooms and four bedrooms, while the mill, which could be incorporated into the house, is on two floors, each some 38ft by 19ft.

The property extends to just under two acres and provides trout fishing in the mill stream, the mill pool and several carriers. In addition, there is about 1,000 yards of fishing in the River Nadder, of which over 100 yards is both banks.

Due to come to auction on October 17, through Woolley and Wallis, of Salisbury, unless there is a private sale, The Old Mill is expected to make between £65,000 and £70,000.

Also offering an opportunity for further modernization and improvement is Stanwick Hall, near Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, a Queen Anne house with a grade two listing as being of special architectural or historic interest.

The accommodation at present includes four reception rooms and such ancillary space as a dairy and flower room. Upstairs there are three double bedrooms and two dressing rooms on the first floor, and four further bedrooms on the second. There are also good cellars.

The house is surrounded by a partly walled garden and there is a paddock which together total just under 2½ acres. The price is £48,500 and the agents are Jackson-Stops and Staff, of Northampton. A further 9½ acres of parkland could also be made available.

An interesting East Anglian property in the market is Balsdon Hall, in Bridge Street Road, about a mile from the picturesque village of Lavenham, Suffolk.

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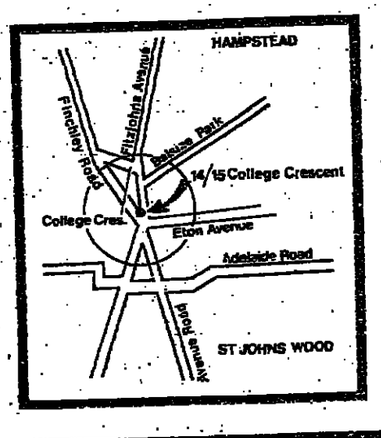
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Irving Wardle

Although Rony Robinson's play is a community show about the East End of the 1930s, it is worlds removed from the kind of boisterous, beery occasion that you would expect from Theatre Workshop.

Built around an old woman's memories of growing up before the war, the piece has been assembled from the recollections of local people of her generation; and Jonathan Chadwick's production, for all its informality, is an extremely skilful splicing job, presenting a semi-fictional central narrative against a background of verbatim comment and new songs (by Mervyn Stutter) which catch the spirit of the times without the slightest concessions to nostalgia.

The effect is to hold your sympathetic attention for one character without ever losing sight of the fact that she is only one among thousands; and repeatedly to switch the focus from enactments of past events to contemporary memory.

Liz appears principally in a series of "Snapshots" scenes that develop from frozen stills into brief episodes. We see her leaving school with the two ambitions of emigrating to Canada and becoming a ballet dancer. There is never the slighest chance of her achieving either; and as the piece develops we see her clinging more and more obstinately to this dream so as to blot out the actual circumstances of her life.

Deborah Findlay plays her as a bewildered innocent with a streak of unbreakable obstinacy, which comes to her aid in discarding dead-end jobs, wrong men and finally in nailing the right one: an International Brigade boy, whom she fancies for his platform manner, and goes on to assemble a bigger crowd than he ever collected by delivering an impromptu family autobiography: "My mum had a house fall on her and she's still wobbly".

Some of these episodes are unforgettable: such as one where Liz is waylaid on abdication night by a man who tries to sell her a suit, delivering a heart-rendingly farcical chronicle of destitution and then confiding that his wife is crying because "King Edward's not being King any more".

Against Sarah Paulley's backcloth of an endless street stretching hopelessly to vanishing point, the rest of the company periodically converge in jolly numbers to banjo and piano (accompaniment supplied by the cast) undercutting the romance of young love and the exploits of Amy Johnson with the realities of the pawn shop, and down-to-earth phallic gossip by the girls. Then, out of the blue, come the voices of experience; the cost of a bedroom suite, the dole queues, the unplanned families. "My wife had a mad fit and left me; went to Morecambe." "I was ambitious: I wished for a better life, if it hadn't been for love coming in." The show is not in the Littlewood style, but its heart is in the right place.



Mervyn Stutter, Theresa Streatfield, Deborah Finlay

This hideously awful ballet

Royal Ballet
Sadler's Wells

John Percival

"Don't write; just send the cheque", Dame Ninette de Valois ordered at the end of her curtain speech at Sadler's Wells. She was quoting a comic Christmas card she once received from Sir Robert Helpmann, but giving it a new meaning in the context of that theatre's perennial need for funds. I wish I could obey her in a more literal sense, because this is an embarrassing notice to write.

The occasion was the opening of the Royal Ballet's autumn season, a special performance as the last of many celebrations of Madam's eightieth birthday, including the premiere of a work made specially for the occasion by Kenneth MacMillan. In such circumstances, one tries to be kind, but it has to be admitted that the new ballet is rather awful. No, worse than that: it is hideously awful.

It is set to Samuel Barber's "Capricorn Concerto", decently played by the orchestra under Barry Wordsworth with three of its members as the soloists: Patrick Williams, flute, Paul Arden Taylor, oboe, and Malcolm Woodhouse, trumpet. The best course is probably to shut your eyes and think of the music.

If you are rash enough to look at the stage, you will see several talented dancers wearing facetiously decorated costumes, designed by Ian Spurling, meant to represent the signs of the zodiac. Most of them jiggle pointlessly about, the exceptions being Marion Tait and Desmond Kelly as Gemini (Dame Ninette's birth sign) who instead have long, tricky, ugly adagio acts.

Half way through I began to wonder whether the piece was meant to be funny. I suspect it was, at least in part, but nobody laughed. The unmemorable title is 6.6.78, the birthday date. The one consolation is that a piece d'occasion can quickly be dropped with no loss of face, the sooner the better, for everyone's sake.

As if to rub salt in the wounds, the announced new work was preceded by a surprise item, a more entertaining little birthday tribute by the company's latest aspiring choreographer, David Bintley. That too had a numerical title, *Take Five*, being set to Dave Brubeck's composition of that name for saxophone, drums, bass and piano: another hit for the versatile musicians.

Bintley took five dancers: Lynn Seymour evoking Judy Garland in black tights, velvet jacket, high heels and slouch hat, with four fellows in black clothes, beards and wigs. Their dance was quick, lively and amusing, with some cheeky allusions to ballet history from the Rose Adagio to *The Outsider*, and a beautifully burlesqued performance from Seymour.

The evening's more solid choreographic virtues were in the two opening works. Ashton's *Les Patineurs* and de Valois' own *The Rake's Progress*. Desmond Kelly, new as the rake, seems not ideally cast: too nice at first to appear dissolute, and not frightening enough in his madness. But it was a careful study of the part, although outshone by Margaret Barbieri's heartbreaking account of the betrayed girl and Kim Reeder's dapper portrait of the dancing master. Among Ashton's skaters, the four couples in brown for once had the better of the somewhat uneven soloists, with Wayne Sleep's show-off dancing as the Blue Skater not always justifying his cocksure manner.



Marion Tait, Desmond Kelly

Picture by Anthony Crickmay

Amadeus Quartet
Queen Elizabeth Hall

Stanley Sadie

It was 150 years from Schubert's birth when the Amadeus Quartet came together; so now, as the 150th anniversary of his death approaches, they have been playing his music for as long as he lived.

On the evidence of this concert, Schubert has not grown stale for them. They began with the A minor quartet, in a performance full of fresh things; and the character of it hinted that the music might have been rethought for this particular occasion—a concert dedicated to the memory of Cecil Aronowitz, the Amadeus's much-loved auxiliary viola over many years.

The emotional centre of gravity in this performance was not the Andante, which was quite plainly done, at a quickish tempo, with well marked stresses, but in feeling wistful rather than poignant; nor was it the first movement, where much of the time they appeared to be emphasizing a seamless line and a broad structure, though not at the expense of expressive warmth.

Rather, it was the Minuet: played with a certain deliberation, in a somewhat withdrawn manner, with a touch of hesitancy to its rhythms, it sounded mysterious and troubled, its darkness scarcely relieved by the hints of rural beggiping in the trio. Nor did the finale, taut in rhythm and subdued in tone, offer the predictable measure of emotional relaxation.

"Death and the Maiden" hardly permits any particularity of characterization, so wide is the range of feeling it embraces. The Amadeus, for that very reason, have always played it with distinction. It did, however, have exceptional weight and drama; the stormy music of the first movement was done in virile fashion, the pounding rhythms of the finale were duly relentless. But there was delicacy and tenderness too, in the melodic shaping of the second subject matter in both those movements, in the violin tracery, and above all in the expression of the variations. Schubert remains alive; and we are lucky to have the Amadeus renewing him after 31 years.

Deutsche Kammerakademie
Wigmore Hall

Barry Millington

Giving its British debut at the Wigmore Hall was the Deutsche Kammerakademie, an ensemble of up to 14 strings which is occasionally augmented by solo wind players. Indeed, the group prides itself on the fact that all its members are in a sense soloists and that certainly expresses itself in the enthusiasm of their music-making.

They opened with a performance of the Brandenburg Concerto No 6 that was not only splendidly virile, but also clear in its interweaving of lines and accurate. A spirit of ebullience bordering on aggression found its appropriate outlet in Martinu's String Sextet (1932), a more intense work than the same composer's sextet for wind instruments and piano of three years earlier.

Having disposed of some surplus energy, four members of the ensemble were able to combine in a graceful, delicate account of Mozart's Oboe Quartet in F major K370. If the performance was dominated by the oboist, Ingo Goritzki, that is not to suggest that his playing was unduly forceful; on the contrary, his tone is anything but mordant, almost, one might say, creamy. His domination was by virtue of supreme technical control and musicianship, but his fellow-players supported admirably.

The Kammerakademie's director, Johannes Goritzki, appeared as soloist in Boccherini's Cello Concerto No 2 in D, unleashing a performance of immense vitality and high spirits. He was also able to respond to the passages of more serious intent, being nowhere more eloquent than in the cadenza of the Adagio.

In Bach's Concerto in D minor, BWV1060 for oboe and violin; the eminently capable soloists were Winfried Rademacher and Ingo Goritzki, but it was again Johannes Goritzki's direction that secured a powerfully propelled performance, with strong, broad phrasing and firmly enunciated staccatos.

Philharmonia/Muti
Festival Hall

Max Harrison

It is no bad thing for concerts devoted to a single composer always to include one unfamiliar work. Following that principle, the Philharmonia Orchestra began with Schumann's Overture *Die Braut von Messina*. With energetic and very clean orchestral playing, the conductor, Riccardo Muti, made out the best possible case for it, though not so as to persuade us that this particular goose is a swan.

The Schiller tragedy which prompted the work is set in medieval Sicily, but Schumann, with the confidence that all composers of former times had in the idiom of their own day, makes no attempts at period or local colour. Instead he concentrates on the passions of Schiller's characters, but, although his overture has strong dramatic feeling, its turbulence throws up no thematic ideas of real distinction.

In Schumann's Piano Concerto it is tempting to say that Emil Gilels, the soloist, was eloquent in every note. Certainly the intimate passages were enchanting, with an exact matching between left-hand keyboard melodies and the strings producing a chamber music feeling, as did quietly dovetailed exchanges between piano and solo woodwind.

There was some finely balanced orchestral playing, as in the wind statements of the opening movement's first theme. But there were also eccentricities, such as the quite undue haste with which the Intermezzo's initial idea was taken, strangely isolating it from its context; and in the finale certain left-hand keyboard octaves were curiously accented.

The concert was otherwise occupied with Schumann's Symphony No 1 The Spring. Whatever its other qualities, it has never struck me as particularly springlike, and the great vitality of Mr Muti's performance made it seem even less so. But that is not to say that I did not appreciate such things as the beautiful shadings of power and stress in the Larghetto.

Artists of calculation and happy accident

Bob Law
Whitechapel Art Gallery

Alan Green
Roundhouse Gallery

The Pier Gallery Collection
Tate Gallery

Bob Law paints, of late, large square canvases which are superficially all of one colour, or at most one colour with a border created by a narrow band of an allied colour or a thin drawn line. Alan Green paints, or was painting a couple of years ago, large square canvases all of one colour, with, usually, either a border exposing previous layers of painting or some kind of texture by which you can guess at what lies underneath. And yet, strangely enough, the personalities of the painters come over as so different that you would never for a moment be in danger of muddling the two, for all their apparent similarities.

There is something very ascetic about Bob Law's work. The current retrospective goes back some 20 years, to a series of faux naif drawings such as might have been produced by a rather sophisticated child set a landscape exercise. Later landscape drawings are pared down to the bone, and sometimes come within hailing distance of Ben Nicholson. But meanwhile he seems, in his bigger works, to have been gradually painting himself into a corner, literally as well as metaphorically. There is less and less event in these large, plain pieces, until in the series of "black" paintings he seems to reach a ne plus ultra. They are not, of course, just black: seen in a row they immediately define their different qualities of blackness, and you get the point of titles like *Violet Blue Plum Black* or *Bordeux Black Blue Black*—layers of these other colours underlie the black that you see, and mysteriously, in an almost occult fashion, make their presence gradually felt. Obviously there is, in any case, a life after black: Law's latest paintings are pink and green.

Alan Green, comparatively, is an ebullient painter. His one-colour canvases are in a much wider range of colours, for a start, and widely varied in texture and ways of applying the paint. Where everything in Law seems calculation, Green's work obviously makes use of the happy accident, like the way the paint tends to gravitate towards the bottom of the canvas, so that it is thicker and darker as your eye moves from top to bottom. He also likes slightly mysterious explanatory titles, such as *Last Red*, which is painted in the last shade of red he could get before it went over into brown. The inner wall of the Roundhouse Gallery is hung with squares of uniform size, and the outer with paintings of various sizes and shapes, including some in two parts. In a couple of weeks there will be opening another one-man show of his more recent work at the Amely Juda Gallery; it will be interesting to see where he has gone from here.

At the Tate there is a very pleasing show of non-figurative painting, mostly British, from an earlier generation. It is the collection built up through the years by Margaret Gardiner and now given to the Orkneys to make up the Pier Gallery at Stromness. It is strongest in the same sort of period as H. S. Ede's collection at Kettle's Yard, in Cambridge, and shows a similar taste, though perhaps a little more dedicated to abstraction. Not all of the paintings are abstract; since there is a heavy emphasis on the Cornish group centred on Ben Nicholson and Barbara Hepworth, it is only natural that tutelary deities like Alfred Wallis, the primitive marine painter, should also be represented, as well as some of Nicholson's figurative work. Of later painters Miss Gardiner likes semi-abstract, such as William Scott and Roger Hilton.

The whole collection radiates quiet, grace and harmony, and the consistency of the taste can be seen throughout: it is amazing, for instance, to find in close proximity on one wall works by painters as different as William Scott, William Gear and Italo Valenti which are so similar, because of the eye that chose them, that they could all be by one man. And when one comes across one painting, Peter Lanyon's *Heather Coast*, which happens to be rather larger and in a different colour range, of greens and purples, the effect is like a slap in the face. The Orkneys, obviously, are very lucky. One can only hope they appreciate it.

John Russell Taylor

New productions by English National Opera

Two new productions will be presented at the London Coliseum by the English National Opera in December: Janacek's *The Adventures of Mr Broucek* and Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro*.

The Janacek opens on December 28, with Gregory Dempsey in the title role, and other singers including Henry Howell, Dennis Wicks, Lorna Haywood and Geoffrey Chard. It will be produced by Colin Graham, designed by Peter Docherty and conducted by Charles Mackerras.

December 2 will see Jonathan Miller's first production for the company, with John Tomlinson as Figaro and Valerie Masterson, Lilian Watson, Sally Burgess and Christian du Plessis/Peter Knapp. It will be designed by Patrick Robertson and Rosemary Vercoe, with Sir Charles Groves/David Sutton conducting.

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SPORT

Rugby Union



Peterson, the Argentines' flanker, scores the first try of the tour beating Rees (centre) and Ellis-Jones (11) to the *line*.

Landajo shows outstanding form

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent

Southern Counties 9 Argentines 39

The Argentines took a while to find their rhythm in the first match of their tour, at Iffley Road, Oxford, yesterday, but once settled into a confident groove, they cruised to a comfortable victory by three goals, three penalty goals and three tries to three penalty goals. Those details show they crossed their opponents' line six times, but it has to be said that three of the scores were carved out through an extremely porous defence. They need sterner opposition before any firm conclusions about their strength and potential can be made.

The star turns of the touring side were Landajo, a confident, resourceful scrum half who looked *a player of outstanding quality in everything he did*; Sansot, whose swift and stylish intrusions from full back threatened more danger *the longer the contest lasted*; Peterson, a powerful constructive flanker rarely far from the scene of the action; Loffreda, whose enthusiastic tackling in the centre triggered off some wild passing by the opposition; and, needless to say, Porta, the captain and stand-off who did nothing to belie his class but was content mostly to play an unobtrusive though telling part.

The Pumas had been expected to scrummage more effectively than they did, but a solid and spirited Counties pack should have some credit for that. On one occasion, certainly, Rendall had his opposing number, the loose head *Cerioni, in spectacular trouble*.

For a long time too the Pumas had to rely a good deal at the lineout on the deflections, from the *front of Lachetti*, a giant of a lock who gets off the ground pretty well for a man of his size. The other lock, Travaglini, was *not notably productive in this department*, in spite of his height, and in the second half a more profitable source came through one of the flankers, Silva, at the tail.

We have not yet seen, of course, all their resources at loose forward, but on this evidence they look rather short of inches at the back—though not of pace or strength.

Gale, the Counties full back, did not inspire the greatest confidence when under pressure but by the end of the first quarter he had kicked two good penalty goals, the second of them from the 10 metres line, to put his side six points up. The Argentines had chosen to face the wind, and we now saw the first real evidence of shoddy Counties tackling.

Sansot was trotting up to kick for touch but Landajo, with different ideas, took a quick tap *penalty, gave directly to Peterson* just inside the County's half, and the flanker, roaring away must have been pleasantly surprised to *be allowed to finish the job on* his own.

Porta converted this try and then, with two deft touches, helped create another. *His dummy scissors* and crashball pass for Loffredo set up a ruck. His angled chip behind it had Puccio chasing over for the touchdown on the right. Then Porta got a try himself, from 20 metres out on the short side of the scrummage, but this was a second score that Counties should never have conceded.

Hereabouts Rees went swiftly outside his man and Ellis-Jones on the other flank had a lively run for his money, these events suggesting that, with better control in the middle, Counties might have given the opposition more to think about. All they got was another penalty from Gale.

In the second half Porta kicked a penalty after he had been late tackled by Mawle and then, with the Pumas forwards mounting an *increasingly effective drive in the* loose, Iachetti sent in Cappelletti from a ruck established by Loffreda and Peterson. The prop, Cerioni got the next, under the posts, after Sansot had countered from a Counties breakdown.

There were two more penalty goals from Porta, interspersed with gift try number three. This one went to Madero when the Pumas won a strike against the head and the centre, served directly by Landajo on the open side, dodged past several defenders with the ease of a man playing rugby unopposed. Porta converted the last two tries. The match was sponsored by Buckell and Ballard.

Demonstration: The touring side were greeted by a demonstration when they arrived at Iffley Road. Nearly 100 left-wing demonstrators paraded placards and handed out leaflets in a political protest against the Argentine government.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES: I. Gale (Henley); C. Rees (London Welsh), D. Course (Richmond), R. Reynolds (London Welsh), R. Ellis-Jones (London Welsh); I. Wright (Rosslyn Park, capt.), J. George (Rosslyn Park); G. Pearce (Northampton), A. Jenkins (Henley), P. Rendall (Wasps), J. Orwin (Gloucester), J. Mawle (Bedford), J. Cook (High Wycombe), D. Jackson (Bedford), C. Sharpe (Richmond).

ARGENTINE XV: M. Sansot; A. Puccio, P. Madero, M. H. Loffreda, A. Cappelletti, H. Porta (capt.), R. T. Landajo; A. Cerioni, R. Seaton, R. Nicola, G. Travaglini, A. Iachetti, T. Peterson, H. Silva, C. Serrano.
Referee: J.-P. Bonnet (France).

England's reserve hooker, Raphael, who was due to captain the London Counties against the Argentines at Twickenham on Saturday, broke his right wrist in a commemorative game at Buckingham on Tuesday and will be out of action for at least six weeks.

London have called on the experienced Keith-Roach, of Rosslyn Park, to fill the gap and he will captain the side, having led London in last year's divisional matches.

Boxing

What if Conteh had not found button?

By Srikumar Sen

For the first time a hot blooded sport like boxing sent a shiver down me when John Conteh, Britain's former light-heavyweight champion, met Leonardo Rogers, of the Dominican Republic, at Wembley on Tuesday night. A. E. Housman held the view, *frankly I think*, that true poetry did that to one. As there was no poetry as such in that classic straight right that dropped Roger *like an animal in the slaughter*-house in the seventh round, I do not think it was that. It must have been the realisation that so slimly-built a light-heavy as Conteh could, in a temporarily demoralised state, unleash a left hook of such force as to knock the breath out of a man of near surrealistic proportions, the effect being heightened by the tattoo of a mermaid off centre on his chest.

Roger was not just any old late substitute. He was a world-ranked boxer, with his eyes on the title. He set out not to box Conteh but to destroy him, and he was on his way to doing that. Conteh was in a similar, though not quite so devastating a mood, in the later stages of the bout with the world champion, Mate Parlov, of Yugoslavia when he was whipping punches into the big Yugoslav as if he was a punch bag.

So it was a warning for Parlov. But the champion can take comfort from the fact that that knockout blow has gone into the ether via Roger's boots and is not likely to materialise in a hurry—except like Henry Cooper's knock-down of Ali, on television. As Conteh says: "I wish I could do it every time."

If Parlov had *been there on* Tuesday night he would have seen that apart from the straight right and the hook to the body in the middle of the bout Conteh was generally too shy for his own good. Too often he was reduced to looking mean rather than meaningful. If Roger had not become careless and come in swinging when he was tired the right might not have found the button that switches out the lights. Indeed, I am lost in wonder as to how Conteh survived the onslaught and kept his senses to gather himself for the final assault.

There are reports that the return with Parlov will almost *certainly* be held in Britain and it is widely believed that this time Conteh will make no mistake. I am not sure about either. Conteh's *victory was so spectacular* and his elation so great that he could well hold out for the kind of money British promoters may not be able *to find*. I noticed there were many empty seats under the clock at Wembley and Harry Levine, the Wembley promoter, was not exactly overjoyed with the evening's takings after Conteh had been paid. Conteh is said to have struck a hard bargain. If he is to have more than two bouts a year he may well have to adjust his sights.

Cricket

Toohey would thrive as captain, Simpson says

Sydney, Sept 27.—The former Australian cricket captain, Robert Simpson, said yesterday that Peter Toohey would be the most suitable man to lead Australia in the Test series against England. Toohey, aged 23, came into Australia's Test team last season against India and then toured the West Indies, scoring 123 and 97 in the fifth Test after receiving a broken thumb and a badly gashed forehead in the first Test.

"Toohey is the person who has the ability to do the job for Australia", Simpson said. "I believe Toohey has that special something which sets him apart from all other candidates. He is undoubtedly the best player in Australia at present and has a *temperament* which would thrive on the added responsibility of captaincy.

"While Toohey is quiet by nature he has a bright, incisive mind and a good cricketing brain. He may not have the colour of a Richie Benaud, but he is *popular with his team-mates and* respected for his ability and no-one could ask for a better footing to build up team spirit."

Writing in the Sydney Daily Mirror, for whom he will cover this season's Test series, Simpson admitted Toohey's experience of *captaincy was extremely limited*. He has yet to lead his club or New South Wales in the Sheffield Shield competition.

"Toohey will make mistakes, but I believe he will find the captaincy a stimulation to his *cricket rather than a hindrance*", Simpson said. "I am not so sure with the other candidates. Craig Serjeant and Graham Yallop, the *obvious two candidates* to come to mind, have not totally accepted or proved that they are permanent members of the team for *Australia. Both could be adversely* affected by the captaincy at this stage."

Toohey is trying to win the state captaincy for New South Wales from last season's young skipper, Andrew Hilditch and former opening batsman, Ronald *Crippin, who is returning to first-class* cricket.—Agence France-Presse.

Colour combination

Adelaide, Sept 27.—Ian Chappell, *captain of the World Series* Cricket Australian XI, said last night that instead of the traditional white, the Australian team would *wear a yellow strip*, the West Indians coral and the World XI blue, because of difficulties created by a combination of *white clothing and the use of a white* ball in night matches.—Reuter.

Bowlers unable to move Gavaskar

Karachi, Pakistan, Sept 27.—Sunil Gavaskar, the Indian vice-captain, scored an unbeaten 137 on the first day of the Indians' three-day cricket match against a Pakistan Banks XI here today.

He and Chetan Chauhan put on 184 for the first wicket and by the close the Indians were in complete command on 257 for one wicket. Mushtaq Mohammad, the captain of a Banks side containing a number of established Test players, tried seven bowlers in an effort to unsettle the batsmen.

But the Banks XI's only success of the day came when their left arm spin bowler, Abdul Raquib, had Chauhan caught for 73. Surinder Amarnath then joined *Gavaskar* in an unbroken stand of 73, Amarnath ending the day on 30.

SCORES: Indians 257 for 1 (S. M. Gavaskar 137 not out, [illegible]).

Turner unlikely to play for New Zealand

Dunedin, Sept 27.—Glenn Turner, the former New Zealand cricket captain, is not expected to play in the forthcoming Test series against Pakistan in New Zealand.

Last month the New Zealand cricket authorities lifted the suspension they *imposed on Turner* in June after a dispute over the repayment of air fares and the way seemed clear for him to play Test cricket again.

But Keith McEwen, sports chief of television one, one of New Zealand's two television networks, has confirmed that Turner would be a member of the channel's commentary team for the Pakistan and New Zealand series.

Turner is at the moment in [illegible] arranging his benefit [illegible] and is not [illegible] New [illegible]

Golf

The case that Watson cannot solve

Napa, California, Sept 27.—Freckle-faced Tom Watson has *to win only $10,000 at this* week's world series of golf to break the record amount of money won in a year—$353,021—but he would settle for consistency that will bring him the Vardon Trophy for the lowest stroke average on the tour. With impeccable logic, Watson said this week: "Even if I should break Miller's record, someone else will break it the following year, and it will be broken the year after that.

"The purses are going up. The 1981 tour is going to be worth $15m (compared with $10m in 1978) and with all that extra money, it won't be long until someone is going to win half a million dollars on tour. I am not a specific goal-oriented person. But I'd like to win the Vardon Trophy: That's important. That's *the standard*. Basically, over the years we've played the same courses, so the stroke average means something.

"The reason I want that stroke average is because when I'm 60 and I look back on my career, I want to see what I accomplished in the record books, not my bank account." After cruising to an easy, three-stroke victory on Sunday in the Napa open with a four-round total of 270, Watson's unofficial average stood at 70.164 this year, ahead of Lee Trevino on 70.195. In wining the Vardon Trophy in 1977, Watson averaged 70.32.

"To me, the Vardon is the standard of excellence" he continued. "I'm trying to improve my game all the time but I never think I will reach the point where *I can say to myself now I really* can play. It's an unattainable goal for me." Because the winner's prize in the world series *is $100,000, Bean or Nicklaus* could pass Watson on the money list if he fails to finish second or third.

One event remains on the tour the Pensacola open, but Watson said he would not play in the *Florida tournament* even if it meant winning the money title. One of the competitors is not interested in the money at all. He is Peter McEvoy, of Britain. McEvoy, the British amateur champion, is the first amateur to compete in the event.

Hockey

World Cup place an extra incentive for juniors

By Sydney Friskin

England's under-21 hockey team, inspired by the success of their seniors who won the bronze medal at Hanover, are seeking their own fortune in the third junior European Cup, starting today in Dublin. That the first four teams from this event will qualify for the junior World Cup, to be held in Paris next year, is an added incentive.

In the last junior European Cup at Folkestone, England finished fourth after being beaten by Spain *in the play-off for the bronze* medal. The task looks more forbidding this time with both the Netherlands and Spain standing in *England's way of qualifying for* the semi-final round. The final is to be played on Sunday.

West Germany, the champions, *Belgium, the Soviet Union and* Ireland are in group A; the Netherlands, Spain, England and France in group B. England's first *match today is against France*, a rapidly improving side who beat Scotland in the qualifying round and cannot, therefore, be taken lightly.

Four of England's players—Duthie, Dauban, Godwin and Westcott—*assisted the senior side at* Hanover and should bring new confidence into a side that had a useful tune-up last Saturday *against Hotspurs. Australia, with* whom they drew 1—1 at Aldershot. There is a late change in the England side with Port replacing *Glover who had to withdraw* for personal reasons.

Ireland, who for some time have been experimenting with young *players, should have a good chance* of finishing runners-up at least to West Germany whose team includes Wistuba, a brilliant striker *who scored two goals in the senior* final at Hanover against the Netherlands. Another West Germany-Netherlands final seems *likely*.

ENGLAND (from): R. N. Lye, P. Ashton, N. M. Boddington, C. M. Cambura, D. Craig, M. A. Dauban, J. L. Duthie (captain), R. D. A. Dodds, M. Gallimore, S. Port, D. Godwin, S. Graves, G. Hayward, J. A. Lee, C. Rule, D. C. Westcott.

TODAY'S MATCHES: Ireland v Belgium (11.0); West Germany v USSR (12.30); Netherlands v Spain (3.0); England v France (4.30).

Shooting

South Africa and Rhodesia out of world event

Seoul, Sept 27.—South Africa and Rhodesia have withdrawn from the world shooting championships which were officially opened here today, the organizers said. They pointed out that both countries had sent identical cables saying that they had decided not to participate in the quadrennial meeting "in order to protect the rights of our shooting friends".

There are no Rhodesian or South African embassies here available for comment and the Organizers would not interpret the cables. It was also announced that India, Haiti and the Lebanon were not able to come for various reasons.

A total of 1,330 marksmen and officials from 66 countries will now contest the 21 individual and team events, including seven for women, beginning tomorrow at the modern Taenung international shooting range.

South Korea, who have no diplomatic relations with any communist nations, invited all 102 members of the International Shooting Union (UIT), but the communist countries have stayed away from the Seoul contest without giving reasons.

The United States is expected to dominate the championships.

Tomorrow there will be four events: the air rifle (10 metres standing position) for men and women; free pistol (50 metres): skeet, for men and women and the running game target (50 metres).—Reuter and UPI.

Equestrianism

No substitute for Forge Mill's experience

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

Pennwood Forge Mill *must be* the nearest thing to a natural show jumper that most of us will ever see. Yet again, at the Everest Double Glazing Show at Robert Old's Park Farm Arena at Northwood, he came strolling on to the stage late in the barrage for the Soloramic Stakes and, like an elderly Olivier, proceeded to pound a top class field with a soliloquy in his own time.

One of the few who is equally home indoors or out, he was one of nine to go clear initially. Michael Whitaker and Cappucino had 12 faults in the jump-off when the brown Yorkshire horse stopped at the second upright, and it was David Broome and Sportsman who went into the lead in 36.8sec and held it until the closing stages. Sally Mapleson, who earlier won the Young Riders Stakes, was also clear going next on Con Brio.

Then came a series of mini-disasters, initiated by the young Scot, John Brown, riding Tangier Angus. Fresh from their Austrian triumph in Laxenburg, they demolished the last element of the double and the treble. Rowland Fernyhough and Autocrat had three fences down, and Harvey Smith knocked up 11 jumping and nine time faults in the treble on Sanyo Cadnica (formerly Salvador). Graham Fletcher, not to be outdone scored seven jumping and 21 time faults, but the cricket scores ceased when Geoffrey Glazzard and Pennwood Forge Mill cut the time to 35.1sec the old *horse revelling, as usual, in cutting* out the work over tight turns and treating the combination obstacles as if he could take off from any distance and still clear them.

Caroline Bradley won the Sherpa Stakes on her recent acquisition, the Dutch horse, Njord, and Derek Ricketts was runner-up on Roy Trigg's former show hunter, Kit Chin, by Sportsman's sire Chou Chin Chow, who was supreme *champion hunter* at Dublin in 1974.

SOLORAMIC STAKES: 1. F. Hartill's Pennwood Forge Mill (G. Glazzard); 2. Harris Carpets' Sportsman (D. Broome); 3. Miss S. Mapleson's Con Brio.

EVEREST BUBBLES STAKES: 1. M. Pyrah's Askern; 2. R. Fernyhough's Autocrat; 3. J. Brown's Fynnac.

Rugby League

Australians say there will be no violence

The Australian Rugby League tour party flew into London yesterday and promised "no violence in our matches". The *party of 28 players, plus officials*, arrived at Heathrow from Sydney for three internationals against Great Britain at Leeds, Wigan and Bradford.

Peter Moore, the manager, said: "We have a new young team who will be mostly unfamiliar to the British public. The average age is 25 but they are all seasoned players. I would say this bunch will be as good as recent Australian teams, but with the potential to improve greatly".

Mr Moore promised that the violence all too often seen in recent rugby matches would thankfully be missing from their play. He said: "The players will not have any special instruction to keep it clean. They will play their normal game because there is no great violence in Australian Rugby League.

The tour starts with two matches this weekend at Blackpool on *Saturday*, at *Cumbria on Sunday*.

Today's fixture

RUGBY LEAGUE: Floodlit competition (first round): Barrow v Leigh (7.30).

Tennis

Cox loses his way then quickly finds his touch

Mark Cox, the 35-year-old Bri*tish No 3 and a vital member of* the Davis Cup team which meets the holders, Australia, in the semi-final round at Crystal Palace next week, was almost late for his first-round match in the indoor tennis tournament sponsored by *Pernod at Nottingham yesterday*.

However, he soon made up for taking a wrong turning on his way from London with a 6—2, 6—2 victory against Harvey Becker, the junior Wimbledon champion. Then he settled down to analyse next week's crucial Davis Cup match which could put Britain into the final for the first time for 41 years.

Cox said that although the Australians were being made slight favourites, he still thought Britain had a chance. "It will be an extremely close thing", he said.

Anne Hobbs, from Wilmslow, Britain's new recruit to the Wightman Cup team which meets the United States in London from November 2 to 4, also had a quick win in her opening match. She beat Claire Harrison, of Surrey, 6—2, 6—0.

But Belinda Thompson, who reached the women's singles final in the British hardcourt championships at Bournemouth last week, found herself facing a match point at 6—5 in the second set against 18-year-old Jo Durie, of Bristol. Miss Durie lost her chance, however, when she fired a loose forehand into the net.

Men

SINGLES: First round: J. Feaver beat K. Gilbert, 6—1, 6—1; M. Cox beat H. Becker, 6—2, 6—2.

TEAM: Group A: R. Beven beat H. Johansson (Sweden), 6—3, 6—2; J. Brabenek (Canada) beat B. Hibbert (NZ), 3—6, 6—1, 6—0; P. Chiche (France) beat M. Schapers (Netherlands), 6—1, 6—2.

Group B: D. Pohl (Czechoslovakia) beat O. van den Wildenberg (Netherlands), 6—1, 6—3; P. Smith (NZ) beat M. Roberts (Canada), 6—3, 5—7, 6—2; U. Wilms (W. Germany) beat C. Bradman, 6—1, 3—6, 6—3; O. Hallgren (Sweden) beat P. Denial (France), 1—6, 6—0, 6—3.

Women

SINGLES: Miss K. Brasher beat Miss N. Harris (US), 6—3, 6—1; Miss A. Hobbs beat Miss C. Harrison, 6—2, 6—0; Miss B. Thompson beat Miss J. Durie, 1—6, 7—6, 6—3.

TEAM: Group A: Miss E. Ekblom (Sweden) beat Miss H. Kopeckova (Czechoslovakia), 6—1, 6—0; Miss M. Parker (Netherlands) beat Miss H. Tzubart (Israel), 6—3, 3—6, 6—2; P. Van Oson (W. Germany) beat A. Chevalier (France), 6—2, 6—2; C. Drury beat L. Senn (Canada), 6—0, 6—0.

Group B: Miss M. Meeker (Netherlands) beat Miss N. Delaigue (France), 6—3, 6—3; Miss M. Skuherska (Czechoslovakia) beat Miss N. Bland (Canada), 6—2, 6—1; Miss N. Bohm (Sweden) beat Miss T. Levin (Israel), 6—1, 6—1; S. Davies beat B. Morlock (W. Germany), 6—3, 6—2.

SPORT

Football

Liverpool's European reign ends in frenzy of desperation

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent

Liverpool 0 Nottingham Forest 0

Nottingham Forest, one of less than a handful of teams capable of forcing Liverpool to surrender, reached the second round of the European Cup at Anfield last night. By stubbornly holding on to the two-goal lead they had won on their own ground a fortnight before, they had no need to increase their advantage and force the Cup holders of the past two seasons to a home defeat that would have been almost unthinkable. They did enough without that.

They defended superbly in a match that might have numbed their nerves. They knew that they could restrain Liverpool because they had done it before, but never in such tense circumstances and with so much to gain. Liverpool *pummelled them* from start to finish, yet with increasing frustration because the home forwards were pounced upon and their midfield players ran out of variations.

So in the end Liverpool's grand dream of winning the European Cup for three successive seasons was lost without a goal being gained or conceded on the night. But one would not have predicted such an outcome with any confidence as the game began under their powerful influence.

The sound was thunderous, even by Liverpool's standards, with no admission of a hopeless situation. Forest were well aware of the torrent of sound and attacking football that Liverpool would raise. In the first two minutes they conceded two corners and were driven back into their own half. Even in these early minutes every tackle carried unusual venom.

Burns unfairly took Heighway off his feet and later had his name taken. McGovern hovered close to Souness, looking to stop one of Liverpool's pulses, and Gemmill pestered Ray Kennedy as he had so successfully in the first leg. Forest did well not to fall back too far under this powerful early pressure, and managed to keep Liverpool outside their penalty area for much of the time. They knew that Shilton could deal with shots from outside.

Birtles, the newcomer who had so impressed in the first game, was an early victim of the biting tackles. He was hobbling from the 10th minute but still caused Hughes some problems from Forest's breakaway attacks. For 20 minutes, though, Forest were unable to find a rhythm and then their replies to Liverpool's constant pressure were inevitably token since they still had all of the mathematical advantages. They were better occupied blocking out the Liverpool attacks than creating their own.

Dalglish failed to reach a loose ball that was bouncing by their post and Shilton reliably held several shots that were no real test of his ability. Within the Forest penalty area, Liverpool were much less daunting than they appeared in their approach. The faults had been seen before against these same opponents.

The intensity of Liverpool's movement forward obscured the fact that much of it ended unproductively because of the way Forest tackled so quickly near goal. Even so, Ray Kennedy might have beaten them as he met Neal's centre only to volley the ball over the bar, and probably the best chance of the first half fell to Birtles, who was clean through when Clemence intercepted him.

Forest were again proving to be Liverpool's Achilles heel. They continually pushed up on the Liverpool forwards, restricting them in space and time. The Kop *roared the one word "attack"* but there was desperation in the voices and it reflected itself in the football of their team.

It was becoming clearer that Forest were not so much overawed by the power of Anfield as accepting it and generally keeping cool. Curiously, Shilton was not often called upon to extend himself behind the practical defence. Once, however, he undoubtedly rescued Forest when Dalglish *turned remarkably quickly* and struck a firm shot that he held at the end of his dive.

The desperation also revealed itself as Case sent a free kick soaring over the bar and Thompson volleyed still higher. It grew, rather than lessened with the appearance of two substitutes, Johnson and Fairclough in place of Case and McDermott. These two added new strength, but one always suspected that they too, would founder on Forest's defence and midfield. The persistent efforts of McGovern, Bowyer, the retreating Robertson, and above all Gemmill in the middle contained Liverpool's midfield.

On a rare but fully-committed breakaway Anderson reached the opposition's penalty area and Forest were unfortunate not to be given a penalty when Thompson clearly stopped the attack by controlling the ball with his hand. As the game swung back to its accustomed vein, Burns, a pillar of strength, remained an intrepid guardian and Shilton saved again from Dalglish. Burns, more than anyone in the defence, ensured that Liverpool ploughed all of their energies into this their ground of so many triumphs.

LIVERPOOL: R. Clemence; P. Neal, A. Kennedy, P. Thompson, R. Kennedy, E. Hughes, K. Dalglish, J. Case, S. Heighway, T. McDermott, G. Souness.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST: P. Shilton; V. Anderson, F. Clark, J. McGovern, L. Lloyd, K. Burns, A. Gemmill, I. Bowyer, G. Birtles, A. Woodcock, J. Robertson.

Referee: M. Konrath (France).

Arsenal do it their way—by attack

From Norman de Mesquita
Leipzig, Sept 27

Lokomotiv 1 Arsenal 4

From the moment that Liam Brady stroked home a penalty in the 20th minute, Arsenal were on course for the second round of the Uefa Cup. With a 3—0 first leg behind them, the bonus of an early goal was just what they needed. In the second half, they stamped their undoubted *class on the proceedings and virtually* coasted home.

Terry Neill, the Arsenal manager, had said that they would attempt to play their normal game and not fall into the trap of ultra-defensive tactics. It was obvious from the start that his players were doing just what was required of them. As early as the first minute, Stötzner was called upon to make a desperate save from Stapleton and Brady was only just wide from 25 yards.

The penalty was the result of an unaccountable lapse by Gröner, the Leipzig captain, who caught the ball, goalkeeper style, when there seemed little danger. Arsenal were good value for their narrow half-time lead and were so full of confidence and style in the second half, that is soon became a question of how many they would score.

Sunderland was on the spot to make it 2—0 five minutes into the second half and two headed goals in five minutes by Stapleton soon put the game on ice and sent the home fans streaming for the exits. The only blots on an otherwise flawless Arsenal performance were the booking of Devine early in the second half and a spectacular own goal by Stapleton.

Back in defence for a corner, he was deceived by a deflection and his header left Jennings helpless. One felt that this was the only way Leipzig would score, because their slow build up and weak shooting rarely bothered Arsenal's well-organized defence. This was a fine Arsenal performance and must give them untold confidence for the sterner European tests to come.

There was confidence and flair in all they did and there will be a few sides hoping not to come out of the hat with Arsenal in tomorrow's draw.

LOKOMOTIV: S. Stötzner; B. Hammer, W. Gröbner, J. Fritsche, L. Moldt, H. J. Kins, D. Kühn, T. Dennstedt, F. Baum (sub Altmann), L. Eichhorn, M. Liebers.

ARSENAL: P. Jennings; P. Rice, S. Nelson, D. Price (sub, P. Vaessen), D. O'Leary, W. Young (sub, S. Walford), L. Brady, A. Sunderland, F. Stapleton, J. Devine, G. Rix.

Referee: T. Manojlovski (Yugoslavia).



Leipzig are brought to their knees after only 20 minutes as Brady scores from the spot.

Lively Dutchmen put out at Maine Road

By Tom German

Man City 3 Twente 2

Manchester City finally managed to surmount that formidable first *hurdle in* the UEFA cup at which they have stumbled on their last three attempts. They had a good deal of nailbiting to do, though, before the lively Dutchmen were quelled at Maine Road last night.

The match seemed to be firmly in Manchester's grasp when they scored their third goal seven minutes from the end, but Twente stole one back in a hectic finish and had skill enough, had there been any hint of hesitancy in City's defence, to get another and take the match on 4—3, aggregate.

It was a fast, fluid match which Manchester could well have resolved in the opening half as Owen and Barnes skipped their way past the Dutch defenders with a shrug here a wriggle there. They got off to a marvellous start as Owen left Van Ierssel contemplating his shadow as he sold a superb dummy, sped past him and put the ball firmly and awkwardly into the jaws of the goal where Wildschut could do no more than stretch out a leg and turn the ball over the line.

A comfortable feeling at that stage that Manchester had enough in hand to build on suddenly evaporated almost before the second half had taken its first breath. A free kick 25 yards out seemed to offer little in the way of a threat, but the Manchester wall was a little slow in *organizing itself, Overweg's low shot* was past them before they quite realized what was happening and Corrigan, getting only a late glimpse of the ball, managed only to get a hand to it as it crossed the line.

Any further intrusion now by Twente would have posed problems for Manchester on the calculation of away goals and they were often prepared to push five and six men forward in search of it. City countered shrewdly, however, and called on that seasoned campaigner Bell, to add a diversion which Viljoen had been unable to achieve. Bell's first touch was the prelude to four consecutive corners but City had to wait a little longer to get their nose in front once more and, once again, the goal came unexpectedly; Kidd received the ball just inside his opponent's half, completed a half circle which seemed to be taking him nowhere then unleashed a shot of great power from 30 yards which flew into the net.

Still the match see-sawed. Twente responded immediately with a shot by Drost which Corrigan pushed on to a post but another fine goal to City seemed to promise a comfortable run in. Pasveer parried a firm header from Channon, but Bell raced in to volley his side's third goal. Yet again jubilation proved premature; Thijssen threaded his way along the left and with five minutes left gave Gritter an opening for a goal.

MANCHESTER CITY: J. Corrigan, R. Clements, P. Power, C. Viljoen (sub, C. Bell), D. Watson, P. Futcher, M. Channon, G. Owen, B. Kidd, A. Hartford, P. Barnes.

TWENTE ENSCHEDE: E. Pasveer; C. Van Ierssel, N. Overweg, E. Drost, R. Wildschut, F. Thijssen, K. Van der Vall, T. Pahlplatz, A. Gritter, J. Bos (sub, H. Bruggink), B. Thoresen.

Referee: R. Lattanzi (Italy).

Scots must offer more to attract the best

Scotland, faced with the pr[oblem] of finding a successor to A[lly] MacLeod, who resigned fro[m the] team manager's position on [...] day, may be forced to revis[e their] ideas on the salary which [a post] of such importance should [com]mand. To attract a high [...] manager to pick up the [...] discarded by Mr MacLeod [in the] aftermath of the Argentine [...] the Scots will probably have [to pay] a great deal higher tha[n the] £15,000 Mr MacLeod receive[d].

Already the name gam[e has] started, with such obviou[s per]sonalities as Jock Stein men[tioned] as possible successors. Bu[t] Stein, for one, having re[cently] taken on the £25,000 a yea[r posi]tion at Leeds, would expe[ct the] Scottish authorities to ma[ke an] offer in the same catego[ry to] tempt him into taking over.

He has been guarded [in his] reaction to the speculativ[e talk] which has already linked his [name] with the job. The former [Celtic] manager, given a three-yea[r con]tract by Leeds, confined h[imself] to the comment: "If Sc[otland] want me they will approac[h my] club first."

If there is no marked cha[nge of] policy so far as finances ar[e con]cerned the Scots may well b[e con]sidering recruitment from [within] their league, thus repeatin[g the] appointment of Mr MacLeod[, who] came to the national job [from] Aberdeen, after a highly su[ccess]ful spell at Ayr United, to [which] he has returned.

A strong possibility in thi[s case] would be Billy McNeill, [who] succeeded Mr Stein as C[eltic] manager.

The Scottish FA have ca[lled a] full meeting of their sel[ection] committee in Glasgow next [...] day to discuss the possible [can]dates.

Norman Fox writes: Mr [Mac]Leod arrived in international [foot]ball like a "breath of fresh [air"] and left on Tuesday havi[ng,] lasting terms, contributed [little] more than his extrovert cha[racter.] He inherited a team from W[illie] Ormond and donates almo[st the] same players, less three disc[arded] by the Scottish FA, to w[hoever] replaces him, but in his 17 m[onths] he took them from the ul[timate] honour in Scottish football, [beat]*ing England at Wembley, to* [quali]fication in the World Cup an[d] finally back again, defeat by [Eng]land at Hampden Park follow[ed by] early and discredited elimi[nation] in Argentina. If nothing el[se, he] made everyone talk about [Scot]land, and talking about Sc[otland] was his personal forte. I[n the] reality of world competitio[n he] had no practical experience [and] his voice was lost among [those] who knew that bravado wa[s no] substitute for knowledge o[f the] game at higher international [level].

He will be remembered a[s the] man who was unable to c[ure] Scotland's problems after [they] were *surprisingly beaten in* [their] first World Cup match ag[ainst] Peru in Córdoba, but the [...] other *criticisms levelled at* [him] were not all near the truth. [The] players in his party in[cluded] several of equally strong ch[arac]ter. Undoubtedly, some wer[e not] easy to control and one or [two] made his job more difficult. [There] was discontent within the W[orld] Cup party almost from [the] beginning, as was admitted in [the] Scottish *FA's* report on [the] failure in Argentina. Money [was] the root of much discontent, [or] the lack of it but the failur[e of] Mr MacLeod to tell the pla[yers] exactly what was involved.

Now he returns to Scottish football to which he is [...] *suited,* but he leaves the i[nter]national team at a moment [when] the European championship [lies] ahead and confidence has not [been] fully restored. In losing 3—[2 to] Austria a week ago the [Scots] showed some hints of being [able] to shake off a summer of mi[sfor]tunes, but morale is still low [and] the man who succeeds Mr [Mac]Leod is not to be envied. [It] was until a month ago one ob[vious] candidate, Jock Stein, who [could] *have been brought in to clea[n up]* the mess in the same way [that] Ron Greenwood was asked t[o re]turn England to a more suc[cess]ful path after the departur[e of] Don Revie. But Mr Stein has [gone] south to Leeds and has a t[hree-]year contract. Another south[ern-]based Scot, Jock Wallace, the [man]ager of Leicester City, has [been] mentioned together with E[ddie] Turnbull, of Hibernian, but [with] Scotland's next match, ag[ainst] Norway in less than a mo[nth's] time, there will probably [be a] caretaker manager.

Two League games then Holden leaves

Blackpool transferred their forward, Holden, to the Dutch first division club Teczwolle for £40,000 yesterday. Holden, who cost £62,000 from Sunderland in July, has made only two league appearances for them. He agreed terms with his new club and final details for his clearance are being made for him to play in the Netherlands this weekend.

The Blackpool manager, Robert Stokoe, said: "I admit it was a mistake to bring him here on the form he has produced but I have wished him well in his new career and put the affair down to experience. I shall be replacing him." The club had signed the Burnley full back Pashley for £30,000 earlier in the day.

Tommy Docherty, the Derby County manager has signed a reserve midfield player Jonathan Clarke, aged 20, for £50,000 from Manchester United. Clarke had one appearance as a substitute two years ago. It was Mr Docherty who gave Clarke his only league game when he brought him on in the 3-3 draw with Sunderland in November, 1976. Clarke was the only Welsh player on United's books and is Mr Docherty's sixth signing in just over a month. He will make his first appearance for Derby at Norwich on Saturday.

Bailey, the Middlesbrough full back, has put in a written transfer request. He is unhappy after failing to win back his first team place. He was an England under-21 substitute earlier this year.

Preston North End and Leicester City have joined those clubs interested in Coventry's £130,000 forward Alan Green. They saw Green score his fourth goal in successive matches for Coventry's reserves last night. But Coventry's manager, Gordon Milne, was away yesterday continuing his search for a new player.

Trevor Francis, of Birmingham City will be out of football for a *further three months* it was announced after an examination of his ankle yesterday.

Francis, who had his right ankle in plaster for three weeks after a training accident, found his excitement turn to disappointment on the removal of the plaster.

Francis said: "I felt as though I had been hit by a train. The specialist examined my ankle and told me that he was not happy and that he intended to get me into a nursing home in Halesowen for an operation.

Widening of horizons for Albion

By Geoffrey Green

West Bromwich 3 Galatasaray 1

It was said in the Midlands before the kick off at the Hawthorns last night that the name of the Turkish club visiting West Bromwich Albion in the Uefa Cup was harder to pronounce than to beat their team. So it proved. Albion duplicated their score of the first leg in Turkey a fortnight ago and so ran out comfortable winners by an aggregate of 6—2 to reach the second round of the competition.

In truth, the night was a mere formality. Albion could have doubled their score had they not wasted chance after chance or been denied by the acrobatic goalkeeping of the visiting Bahattin. The Turks were quite neat in their ball play but their attitudes in attack were too tortuous and in the end nothing but pirouettes. Their football when they came down to the basics was largely illegible.

West Bromwich Albion in the main trifled with them. The score should have been a deluge. They scored through Robson after 34 minutes and then again through Cunningham from the penalty spot after Robson, put through by the winger, was up-ended by the goalkeeper. On the stroke of half-time Albion momentarily lost concentration to allow Turgay to turn in a goal at the far post for the visitors. But within two minutes of the restart Albion had made it 3-1 on the night when Trewick volleyed home a pass from the powerful Regis.

Albion are a young side—apart from their captain, Wile. It is 10 years since they were last in Europe and now that they are having to keep their passports in order after a summer trip to distant China and with three black players in the team—Regis, Cunningham and Batson—they are not only widening their horizon but increasing their options.

Every time Cunningham got the ball the whole Hawthorns crowd fairly hummed and palpitated at his speed and control. There were times when he tore the Turks apart, skimming over their scything tackles like some Olympic high hurdler. He had much of the movement and penetration that we once associated with Portugal's Eusebio. Not that I would go so far as to compare him with Pele. Still, he is moving in great form at the moment and Chelsea for one will need to keep their eyes open for him at Stamford Bridge on Saturday.

WEST BROMWICH ALBION: A. Godden (sub, M. Grew); B. Batson, D. Statham; J. Trewick (sub Antony Brown), J. Wile, A. Robertson, B. Robson, Alistair Brown, C. Regis, L. Castello, L. Cunningham.

GALATASARAY: Bahattin; Mufit, Erdogan, Gungor, Tuncay, Fatih, Oner, Gurcan, Cuneyt, Tacettin, Turgay.

Referee: Garrido (Portugal).

End of a tale of misery for Ipswich

By Gerry Harrison

Ipswich 2 AZ '67 Alkmaar 0

Ipswich Town, once again reserving their best for the cup occasion, dominated their talented Dutch opponents for an hour, trembled uncertainly in the later stages and finally went through to the second round of the European Cup Winners' Cup on the strength of early and late goals. When the Suffolk side won the FA Cup in May, they had been showing poor League form. Most of the season has been a tale of misery and misses. Here, however, after a scoreless first leg, most of that was brushed aside, although it was not enough to wash the worries entirely.

An express start from the opening gun and Ipswich had broken the deadlock from their first corner. Woods from the right, *Beattie powered in* beyond the far post for Whymark to touch on his header and a host of players to chase it over the line. "Three minutes, 10 seconds. Paul Mariner, I think," the loudspeaker blasted out above the delighted roars.

For long spells of the first half, AZ '67 Alkmaar held Ipswich off with a patient, neat build-up which lacked penetration and a man-eating offside trap which had vigorous support, if not the complete understanding, of the Belgian officials. Nevertheless, Wark trimmed the bar, Mills hit the goalkeeper's legs and Vooys saved superbly when Whymark's unselfish header had given Talbot a chance.

Early in the second half, Vooys again performed wonders to thwart Mariner. AZ, with four players who could have been in the Dutch World Cup party, were resourceful and experienced opponents. Kist, Peters and van Hanegem *declined* to go to Argentina and Hovenkamp was injured. Yet Ipswich, superbly led by Mills in midfield and with Beattie and Osman powerful at the back, had to work flat out to stay on top.

After an hour, they faded as Peters and van Hanegem began to exert pressure in midfield. Ipswich now looked more like the side which had lost three of its four home games this season. Cooper saved well from a Spelbos header, *Kist's shot whistled inches* over the bar and only the goalkeeper's handling stood out positively in the closing stages. Then in injury time, Spelbos was harshly penalized for leaning on Mariner and Wark ended it all happily with a goal from the penalty spot.

IPSWICH TOWN: P. Cooper; G. Burley, L. Tibbott, B. Talbot, R. Osman, K. Beattie, M. Mills, J. Wark, P. Mariner, C. Whymark, C. Woods.

AZ '67 ALKMAAR: G. Vooys; H. van Rijnsoever, R. Spelbos, J. Metgod, H. Hovenkamp, J. Peters, P. Ressel, W. van Hanegem, K. Kist, P. Arntz, J. de Graaf (sub, K. Nygaard).

Referee: M. van Langenhove (Belgium).

Rangers' pressure bursts Italian bubble

By Glen Stirling

Rangers 2 Juventus 0

Rangers pulled back a one-goal deficit and went on to win this *first round European cup tie* by 2-0, at Ibrox last night winning 2-1 on aggregate. It was a great night for their supporters, who have, of late, had little to shout about as their team has yet to record their first win in the Scottish Premier division.

Rangers kicked off and kept up constant pressure on Juventus, mainly through balls into the box for the head of Johnstone. He was constantly being fouled by Morini, and after 18 minutes from one of the free kicks MacDonald scored a goal after Zoff did well *to parry a deflected ball.*

Rangers continued to sustain this pressure, and Juventus only contribution to the game appeared to be giving Rangers free kicks. Both Gentile and Virdis had their names taken for dissent. In the second half, with the pattern being much the same as the first, Rangers scored again—in 25 minutes through Smith, with a fine goal from his head following a free kick by Russell. He came in behind the defence as their attention was on the tall men, Johnstone and Jackson.

Benetti and Fanna substituted Furino and Tardelli with 15 minutes to go. After these substitutions, Juventus looked for the first time like the team that we think they are capable of being, and put Rangers under considerable pressure. However, Rangers held out, and recorded what must be considered one of their best victories in the European cup. Cup Winners' Cup final-

Wisla Krakow gives notice of intent as Bruges lose

The Belgian champions, Bruges, beaten by Liverpool in last season's European Cup final, went out in the opening round last night when they lost 4—3 on aggregate to Wisla Krakow of Poland. Bruges, leading 2—1 after the first leg in Belgium two weeks ago, slumped 3—1 with Kmiecik, Lipka and Krupinski scoring for the Poles.

No Eastern European club has ever won Europe's major club competition, but Wisla Krakow have sounded an early warning to their rivals. Over 100 clubs were involved in European Cup, Cup Winners' Cup and European Football Union (Uefa) cup matches on the most hectic day in the European soccer calendar. After the first round, second leg matches, 16 clubs will be left in the European Cup and Cup Winners' Cup, with 32 remaining in the Uefa competition.

Wrexham should have gone through to the second round of the Cup-Winners Cup with a fine comeback following their 3—0 defeat by Rijeka in Yugoslavia in the first leg. Williams and McNeil both missed glaring first half chances but it was McNeil who gave Wrexham hope in the 53rd minute with a cool goal. Cartwright made it 2—0 in the 64th minute and the fight was on.

The Rijeka captain Radin kicked a certain equaliser off the line in the 70th minute with Thomas raising his arms thinking he had got the equaliser. In the last minute a shot from Gareth Davis looked like sending the game into extra time but the ball struck McNeil and went wide.

Aberdeen beat Marek Dimitrov 3—0 in the Cup-Winners Cup, coming good in the last quarter to go through 5—3 on aggregate. They broke through after 63 minutes, when the Bulgarians failed to pick up the replacement Strachan, who ran in unchallenged to fire home a pass from McMaster. Aberdeen surged clear after 75 minutes when *Jarvie swept the ball home and* Harper got the third in the 81st minute.

Dundee United made a disappointing exit from the Uefa Cup after a lack-lustre performance against Standard Liege. Trailing by a goal from the first leg in Belgium, United never looked like overcoming a well-drilled defence, superbly organised by Garot, and the game finished as a scoreless draw.

Payne *showed* all his usual skills as he roamed across the front line but there was no penetration. Although the Belgium goalkeeper Preud'homme, looked unhappy with high crosses, he was rarely pressurised. Indeed, over the 90 minutes, McAlpine's goal had more anxious moments. After 25 minutes United found the net with a high dropping Kopel cross. Dodds, standing on the goalkeeper's toes, was judged to have fouled and the decision was probably correct.

Hibernians came through, rain and mud, to earn a goalless draw with IFK Norrköping and a place

European Cup final to take place at Munich

Berne, Sept 27.—Next year's European Cup final is to be played at the Olympic Stadium in Munich on May 30, The European Union of Football Associations (UEFA) announced today. The European Cup Winners' Cup final will be played in Basle on May 16, UEFA also announced.

It is the first time since UEFA came into operation that the 77,573-capacity Munich stadium—home of the West German league side Bayern Munich—has been chosen for a European club final.

The 60,000-capacity St Jacob Ground in Basle, base of the Swiss first division side FC Basle and the country's largest stadium, has twice before been the site

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Yesterday's results at home and abroad

European Cup

First round, second leg

Bohemians (1) 1 Omonia (0) 0
Joyce 600
Aggregate 2—2, Bohemians won on away goal

Rangers (1) 2 Juventus (0) 0
MacDonald, Smith 44,000
Rangers won 2—1 on aggregate

Liverpool (0) 0 Nottm F (0) 0
51,679
Nottingham Forest won 2—0 on aggregate

Lillestrøm (1) 1 Linfield (0) 0
Lonstad 5,600
Lillestrøm won 1—0 on aggregate

OTHER RESULTS: Wisla Krakow (Poland) 3, Bruges 1 (aggregate 4-3); Valetta (Malta) 3, Grasshoppers Zurich 5 (5-13); Dinamo Kiev 3, Valkeakosken 1 (4-1); Austria Wien 4, Vllaznija Shkodra (Albania) 1 (4-3); Dynamo Dresden 2, Partizan Belgrade 0 (2-2), Dynamo won on penalties; Lokomotiv Sofia 2, O Dense (Denmark) 1 (4-3); Trakia Plovdiv (Bulgaria) 1, Hertha, Berlin 2 (1-2); Monaco 0, Malmoe (Sweden) 1 (0-1); PSV Eindhoven 6, Fenerbahce (Turkey) 1 (7-3); Akranes (Iceland) 1, Cologne 1 (2-5); Ujpest Dozsa (Hungary) 0, Zbrojovka Brno (Czechoslovakia) 2 (2-4).

Cup-Winners' Cup

First round, second leg

Apoel (0) 0 Shamrock R (0) 1
15,000
Shamrock Rovers won 3—0 on aggregate

Aberdeen (0) 3 Marek (0) 0
Strachan, Jarvie, Harper
Aberdeen won 5—3 on aggregate

Ballymena (0) 0 Beveren (0) 3
4,000 Janssens (2), Wissman
Beveren won 6—0 on aggregate

Ipswich (1) 2 AZ '67 (0) 0
Mariner, Wark (pen) 25,814
Ipswich won 2—0 on aggregate

Wrexham (0) 2 Rijeka (0) 0
McNeil, Cartwright 10,469
Rijeka won 3—2 on aggregate

OTHER RESULTS: Magdeburg 4, Reykjavik 0 (5—1); Kalmar (Sweden) 2, Ferencvaros (Hungary) 2 (2—4); Banik Ostrava 1, Sporting Lisbon 0 (2—0).

YOUTH CUP: First leg qualifying match: Norway 2, Wales 1.

ANGLO-SCOTTISH CUP: Quarter-final round (second leg): Celtic 1, Burnley 2 (aggregate 1—3).

TOUR MATCHES: IFK Göteborg 1, Tottenham Hotspur 0; Japan 4, Peking XI 0.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE CUP: Second round: Addlestone 0, Dartford 3; Barry 2, Bognor 1; Grantham 3, Aylesbury 0; Kettering 3, Telford 3; Waterlooville 1, Weymouth 3; Worcester 4, Nuneaton 0.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Bangor City 1, Northwich Victoria 0; Scarborough 0, Boston United 0; Worksop 2, Gateshead 1.

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Hoddesdon 0, Uxbridge 1.

Uefa Cup

First round, second leg

Dundee Utd (0) 0 Standard L (0) 0
9,150
Standard Liege won 1—0 on aggregate

Man City (1) 3 Twente (0) 2
Wildschut (og), Kidd, Bell Overweg, Gritter
Man City won 4—3 on aggregate

W Brom (2) 3 Galatasary (1) 1
Robson, Cunningham (pen), Trewick Turgay 22,380
W Bromwich won 6—2 on aggregate

Lokomotiv (0) 1 Arsenal (1) 4
Stapleton (og) 22,000 Brady, Stapleton 2, Sunderland
Arsenal won 7—1 on aggregate

Norrkoping (0) 0 Hibernian (0) 0
1,500
Hibernian won 3—2 on aggregate

OTHER RESULTS: Lausanne Sports 2, Jeunesse Esch (Luxembourg) 0 (aggregate 3—0); Panathinaikos 1, Arges Pitesti (Romania) 2 (1—5); Napoli 1, Dinamo Tbilisi 1 (1—3); Lokomotiv Kosice 1, AC Milan 0 (after extra time, aggregate 1—1; AC Milan won on penalties); Adanaspor (Turkey) 2, Honved 2 (2—8); Lech Poznan 2, MSV Duisburg 5 (2—10); Molde (Norway) 3, Torpedo, Moscow 3 (3—7); Red Star, Belgrade 4, Dynamo, Berlin 1 (6—6, Red Star won on away goals); MTK Budapest 2, Politechnia Timisoara 1 (2—3); Slask Wroclaw 5, Pezoporikos Larnaca 1 (7—3); Lokomotiv Leipzig 1, Arsenal 4 (1—7); Lierse (Belgium) 2, Carl Zeiss Jena 2 (2—3); Ajax, Amsterdam 3, Athletic Bilbao 0 (3—2).

Second division

Stoke (1) 2 Brighton (0) 2
Crooks, O'Callaghan Ward, Maybank
33,203

	P	W	D	L	F	A	pts
Stoke	7	5	2	0	10	3	12
Crystal Pe	7	4	3	0	12	4	11
West Ham	7	3	1	2	15	7	9
Brighton	7	3	2	2	10	9	8
Fulham	7	3	2	2	5	3	8
Wrexham	7	2	4	1	4	3	8

Third division

Chester (1) 2 Swindon (0) 0
Delgado, Oakes 5,311

Chesterfield (1) 3 Southend (2) 2
Salmonds, Fern, Cammack Parker, Abbott 4,516

Exeter (1) 2 Colchester (1) 1
Kellow, Bowker Gough 5,321

Oxford Utd (1) 3 Mansfield (1) 2
Seacole, Fogg (pen), Foley Bird, Allen 3,998

Fourth division

Bradford (0) 3 Halifax (3) 0
Barnes, Cookes, Jackson 4,113

Crewe (0) 2 Stockport (1) 2
Davies, Covin Lee, Prudham 3,777

Reading (1) 1 Torquay (0) 0
Bowman (pen) 5,722

Scottish first division

Airdrie (0) 1 Clydebank (0) 1
Jonquin Given

Ayr Utd (3) 3 Arbroath (0) 0
McCall, McLaughlin 2

Dumbarton (0) 0 Queen of S (2) 2

Hamilton (3) 3 Stirling A (1) 1
Fairley 3 (1 pen) Coughlin, Mitchell

Montrose (0) 1 Dundee (0) 0
B. D'Arcy Lee (og)

St Johnstone (1) 1 Raith (1) 1
McNoill Wallace

Scottish second division

Alloa (0) 1 Queen's Pk (0) 0
Irvine

Berwick (1) 4 Cowdenbth (0) 1
Morton, McLean 2, Moyes Harley

E Fife (0) 0 Brechin (0) 0

Meadowbank (1) 2 Stenhsmuir (0) 0
O'Rourke, Adair

Stranraer (0) 1 Falkirk (0) 0
Stein

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Brighton VI Form College 6, Falmer 1; Campion 1, Palmers Colone 3; Farnham College 6, Woking 1; Hampton 1, Eastfields 0; Highgate 0, Brentwood 1.

Rugby Union

TOUR MATCH: Southern Counties 9, Argentine XV 39.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES: Gloucestershire 33, International XV 24; Combined Services 13, Devon 18.

CLUB MATCHES: Abertillery 13, Llanelli 9; Barclays Bank 3, United Banks 3; Glamorgan Wanderers 7, Neath 15; London Welsh 42, Esher 11; Nuneaton 4, Birmingham 16; Penarth 6, Aberavon 32; Pontypool 76, Blaenavon 4; Pontypridd 25, Cardiff 9; Penzance and Newlyn 15, Redruth 6; Penryn 19, Truro 0.

COUNTY MATCHES: Sussex 40, Combined London OB 0; Notts, Lincs and Derbyshire 46, Greater Birmingham 4.

OTHER MATCH: Bognor 26, Southampton University 6.

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Bancroft's 50, Brentwood 5; Bearwood 7, Leighton Park 17; Bedford Modern 12, St Albans 4; Bloxham 3, Abingdon 19; Blundell's 15, Allhallows 13; Bournemouth 34, Cricklade 3; City of London 0, Eltham 60; Deacon's, Peterborough 25, Gunnersbury 74, Wymers 0; Hedham Hall 6, Broxbourne 42; Hitchin 31, Cedar's OS 7; King's, Taunton 8, Wallington School 0; King's, Wimbledon 0, Emanuel 41; Loughborough GS 39, Abbot Bayne 0; Magdalen CS, Brackley 5, Magdalen CS, Oxford 7; Oakhampton 7, Shebbear 18; St Bees 43, Workington GS 4; St Mary's, Sidcup 17, Dover 3; Wellington 23, Esher 17; West Buckland 48, Truro; Oakombe 4; Whitefriars, Cheltenham 26, Cheltenham College 3; Windsor 39, Desborough 7; St Columbus 10, St Ignatius 20; St Joseph's College 3, Austin Friars 18; Wrekin 16, Belmont Abbey 18. Crownwoods 0; Hodham Hall 6.

RUGBY LEAGUE: County championship: Lancashire 23, Yorkshire 7.

HOCKEY: Women's tour match: Leinster 1, Argentina 0.

Ice skating

Cousins may give British event a miss

Robin Cousins, the British figure *skating champion,* is *suffering* from a fatigue fracture above his left ankle and will be out of action for five to six weeks. This means that he will *miss* the inaugural Rotary Watches tournament at Richmond on October 11 and 12. Cousins, who is now training with Carlo Fassi at Denver, Colorado, will return home to Bristol in a day or two. The limb is not in plaster as he has been advised to *keep the ankle and knee joints flexible.*

As was recorded in *The Times* recently, Cousins has added two new triple jumps, lutz and toe salchow, to his repertoire. Both involve, in Cousins's case, left foot takeoffs and it may be that concentration on these, together with the axel (another left foot triple with which Cousins has been experimenting) has imp[osed] *too great a strain on the left* [ankle] in too short a period. Thi[s is] Cousins's third serious set[back].

Cousins, who is now 21, sh[ould] have recovered in time for [the] British championships at R[ich]*mond on November 28 and 29.* [But] he may feel that his princ[ipal] objectives this winter are [the] European and World champ[ion]ships, at Zagreb and Vienna

Beverley results

2.15 (2.16) BURTON AGNES STAKES (3-y-o: £1,632: 2m)
Southern Seas, b f, by Jim French—Schonbrunn (D. Wildenstein), 9-0 ...... J. Mercer (4-6 fav) 1
Ellenslad .... G. Duffield (8-1) 2
Bradden ...... E. Johnson (9-4) 3
ALSO RAN: 20-1 Hand Over Fist (4th). 4 ran.
TOTE: Win, 12p; dual forecast, 95p. R. Cecil, at Newmarket. 12l, 1½l.

2.45 (2.46) LEVEN HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,564: 1m)
Markie, br c, by On Your Mark—Jeanette (L. Amos) 9-7 ...... G. Starkey (7-4 fav) 1
Thumps .... M. Birch (14-1) 2
Quaker Star .... A. Mercer (7-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Mandabo (4th), 8-1 Last Captive, 12-1 Sykelis, 14-1 Fraserfield Boy, King Rama, 20-1 Card Palmer. 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 19p; places, 12p, 48p, 21p; dual forecast, £2.07. M. Stoute, at Newmarket. 2l, nk.

3.15 RAFFINGORA SWEEPSTAKES (£2,008: 5f)
Latest Model, b c, by Reform—Cover Girl (Mrs M. Clark) 4-9-7 ...... E. Johnson (20-1) 1
Fozom Imp. P. Waldron (4-6 fav) 2
Vilgora .... S. Perks (11-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 10-1 I Don't Mind (4th), 33-1 Gruinard, 25-1 Sone's First. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.86; places, 67p, 11p; dual forecast, £1.21. R. D. Peacock, at Middleham. 2l, ¾l.

3.45 (3.47) WILLERBY STAKES (Div 1: 2-y-o maiden fillies: £997: 1m)
Cougar's Surprise, ch f, by Cougar—Sun Gate, 8-11 ...... E. Johnson (12-1) 1
Mulberry Fool .... J. Lowe (10-1) 2
Renovation ...... E. Eccleston (15-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 100-30 fav Novina, 5-1 Wheel Grace, 8-1 Hot Lips Moll, Ottoline, 12-1 Bunnycroft, River Reed (4th), 14-1 Glendauk, Lorenzani, 20-1 Gay Walk, 25-1 An-Sier, Glenalisa, Loyal And Regal, Mitzi Belle. 16 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.80; places, 41p, 72p, 37p; dual forecast, £6.31. B. Hills, at Lambourn. 1l, ½l.

4.15 CHERRY BURTON HANDICAP (£2,078: 7f)
My Wellie, b g, by Marcus Brutus—Snow Boots (W. C. Watts), 5-8-4 ...... D. Nichols (4-1) 1
Solo Reign .. M. Wighman (7-2) 2
Hardy Turk ...... O. Gray (8-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 13-8 Never Say Gus (4th), 7-1 Farthing, 25-1 Balylougue, Bakewa. 7 ran.
TOTE: Win, 48p; places, 16p, 15p; dual forecast, 60p. W. C. Watts, at Bridlington. 1½l, ½l. Baltic Love did not run.

4.45 (4.46) WEEL HANDICAP (£1,523: 1m)
Priestcroft Boy, b g, by Chebs Lad—Alfreda (C. Norman), 5-8-3 .... M. Birch (7-2 fav) 1
Hunting Willy .. N. Howe (7-1) 2
Prince .... E. Johnson (4-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Steel City, 7-1 Celestial Gem, 8-1 Sir Destrier, 12-1 Saintly Lady, 14-1 Gold Loom, 16-1 Ninive (4th), Reppin Castle, 25-1 Balranald, 50-1 Velvet Cap II, Whistler's Princess. 13 ran.
TOTE: Win, 28p; places, 11p, 25p, 16p; dual forecast, £1.53. M. H. Easterby, at Malton. 2½l, 4l. Forlorna, Gay Twenties did not run.

5.15 (3.17) ARRAM HANDICAP (£1,164: 5f)
Get Involved, b f, by Shiny Tenth—Shoulder Flash (Mrs F. Harris) 4-7-10 ...... N. Howe (6-1) 1
Yoohoo .... C. Storey (9-2) 2
Rosellie ...... C. Nutter (4-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Pelard (4th), 9-1 Thoroanby, White Emperor, 12-1 Knight, 16-1 Sharp Lady, Star Kid, 20-1 Clear Melody, 33-1 Petit. 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 55p; places, 14p, 31p, 16p; dual forecast, £2.22. D. Marks, Lambourn. 2l, 1l.

5.45 (5.46) WILLERBY STAKES (Div II: 2-y-o maiden fillies: £997: 1m)
Green Lass, ch f, by Green God—Masai Princess (Mrs R. Vrolker), 8-11 ...... M. Wigham (5-1 fav) 1
Gilbsait Allena .... S. Jarvis (4-1) 2
Louise .... A. Bond (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Sioux Blessed, 7-1 Juhayna, Sara Kelly, 10-1 Cambral, 16-1 My Saint Anne, 20-1 Pendles Secret, Picthorne, 25-1 Most Kind, Always Vigilant, Eight Times, Irish Lace, Openahse. 16 ran.
TOTE: Win, 29p; places, 17p, 27p, 27p; dual forecast, 41p. H. Thomson Jones, Newmarket. Hd, 5l.

JACKPOT: DOUBLE: Latest Model, My Wellie. £197.55. TREBLE: Markie, Cougar's Surprise, Priestcroft Boy. £95.55.

Devon NH

2.30: 1, Candlewick Green (5[...]); 2, Quantock Manger (10-1); 3, D[...] Sands (6-1). 6 ran. Trebafwith 1-2 fav.

3.0: 1, Selentown (5-1); 2, Str[...] Thorn (4-6 fav); 3, Quantock Str[...] (100-30). 5 ran. Master Smudge not run.

3.30: 1, Finlayie (3-1 jt fav) [...] Golds M (3-1 jt fav); 3, West[...] Falcon (6-1). 9 ran. Ock Brook jt fav. Rubanmoss did not run.

4.0: 1, Kelly's Hero walked [over]. Pine Lodge did not run.

4.30: 1, Personal Call (11-4); [2,] Green fingered (9-4); 3, Given (1[...] fav). 4 ran.

5.0: 1, Indubitably (2-7 fav) [...] Hill Fly (5-2). 2 ran.

Cheltenham NH

2.15: 1, Even Par (9-2); 2, Wil[...] the First (5-2); 3, Tudor Road (33[...]) Elect 9-4 fav. 15 ran.

2.45: 1, Youssaint (11-8 fav) [...] Sky Myth (5-1); 3, John Boy (14[...]). 8 ran.

3.20: 1, Scot Lane (2-1); 2, [...]ando (10-11); 3, Palace (9-2). 6 [ran].

3.55: 1, Charlton Fox (7-4); [2,] Grand Hussar (evens fav); 3, Dev[...] (11-1). 6 ran.

4.30: 1, Three Gems (4-1); [2,] Persian Frieze (evens fav). 4 ran, 2 finished.

5.0: 1, Le Deran (9-4 fav); [2,] Afan (Erller (33-1); 3, Court Exp[...] (4-1). 10 ran.

5.15: 1, Sea Headrig (7-2 fav) [...] Contribution (12-1); 3, Champ[...] (5-1). 12 ran. Barrenstown Boy not run.

Perth NH

2.45: 1, Blabbermouth (11-4 f[av]); 2, Moray's Parade (5-1); 3, Go[...] Express (7-1). 5 ran.

3.15: 1, Royal Legend (9-4 jt [fav]); 2, Brag (11-4); 3, Golden End [...] jt fav). 8 ran. Deer Creek did not [run].

3.45: 1, Coparu (2-1); 2, Vulab[...] (15-8 fav); 3, Double Action (3[...]). 4 ran. French Pin did not run.

4.15: 1, Palace Guard (7-2); [2,] John McNab (12-1); 3, Green[...] (8-1). Stay Quiet 5-1 fav. 11 ran.

4.45: 1, Grey Magic (5-2); 2, [...]craig (4-1); 3, Tipperty (12-1). S[...]combe 3-2 fav. 16 ran. Red Quartz not run.

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least of racing awaits visitors scot this afternoon when a y of tantalizing dishes should even the most discerning aces from their lairs. Some e best *sprinters, middle-*ce horses and two-year-olds country will be on show.
h £44,500 in added money it, the Ascot executive have ded in attracting competi-fields for every race. Captain as Beaumont, the clerk of ourse, said yesterday that igh the going would be firm was a good covering of on the ?—?—?— and that h watering had been done e the jar out of the ground.
haei Stoute has decided to running Vaigly Great in the m Stakes only six days after hree-year-old's record-break-stroll through the Scottish to capture the Ayr Gold Cup. y Great is at his most effec-n heavy ground, but he ran enough on fast going when to Ahonoora in the Stewards And there can be little doubt that the Great Nephew colt is now a much improved sprinter—almost certainly the best in the country under suitable conditions.

William Hill have opened a book on the race and make Vaigly Great *their favourite at 2-1. They then* go 6-1 Sweet Mint, 13-2 Absalom, 8-1 Glenturret. Sweet Mint is a tough Irish trained four-year-old filly, who not only beat Double Form in the Cork and Orrery Stakes at the Royal meeting, but also defeated Ballad Rock by a short head at Phoenix Park in August.

Absalom gave a sparkling performance at the Ebor meeting when defying 10st in the Wykeham Handicap. Ryan Jarvis's three-year-old ran disappointingly at Ayr, but this sturdy grey is sure to make a bold showing on this afternoon's faster surface.

Robert Sangster's Glenturret is another Irish challenger who recently showed himself to be at his peak when winning a valuable handicap under top weight at the Curragh. However, Vaigly Great remains the choice.

In the Hoover Fillies Mile Stoute runs Rimosa's Pet who, finishing second to Formulate in the Waterford Candelabra Stakes at Goodwood, found the six furlongs of the PTS Nursery at Lingfield Park too short a distance when dead-heating for sixth place behind Ela-Mana-Mou. Rimosa's Pet will be more at home over this afternoon's longer trip, but it is hard to visualize her turning the tables on her Goodwood conqueror, who excelled herself when romping home in the May Hill Stakes at Doncaster. I pass on a tip for the Yorkshire trained filly, Bias, but make Henry Cecil's Formulate a confident selection—to win from her stable companion, Odeon, and Rimosa's Pet.

The other two-year-old race, the Clarence House Stakes is an even more fascinating affair. Cecil runs the hitherto disappointing Marble Bay, who is expected to reveal his true potential equipped with blinkers for the first time. Stoute saddles Bananas Foster, an American bred colt who is sure to be sharper after his promising second to Sebastiano at Great Yarmouth last week.

Bruce Hobbs's representative, Tromos, is rumoured to be the best two-year-old at Palace House. I shall take a chance with *Bananas Foster.*

STATE OF GOING (official): Ascot: Firm. Beverley: Firm. Perth: Good. Dawlish and Exeter: Hard. Worcester (steeplechase): Good to firm. (hurdles): Firm. Redcar (tomorrow): Good to firm. Fakenham (tomorrow): Good.

English trio may not hold Crown Music

From Desmond Stoncham
French Racing Correspondent
Paris, Sept 27

After today's forfeit stage there are 20 horses left in next Sunday's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. With Naasiri withdrawn, Henri Samani will team up with Guadanini, on whom he won the Grand Prix de St-Cloud last July. Maurice Zilber announced today that he would *also be represented in the Arc by* Amazer, who will be ridden by Sandy Hawley. Amazer finished third to Dancing Maid and Relfo in the Prix Vermeille and 29-year-old Hawley has on four occasions been North American champion jockey.

Charles Seffert has sent Lido from Germany to Chantilly and the colt will be ridden in the big race by Albert Klimscha junior, whose father is boarding the horse. Aage Paus has decided to run Turville now that the weather in Paris has become showery.

Three of the six runners in tomorrow's group two Critérium de Maisons-Laffitte are trained in England, but I do not think any of the visitors will beat my selection, Crown Music. Kingsbere should be the best of the English, and Bolide may also run into a place.

CRITERIUM DE MAISONS-LAFFITTE (Group II: 2-y-o: £13,333: 7f): Kingsbere (R. Raymond); Bolide (A. Murray); Gain (A. Lequeux); Kermair (J. Dupin); Crowned Music (P. Paquet); Isarra Castle (J. C. Desaint).

Ascot programme

[Television (BBC 2): 2.30, 3.5, 3.40 and 4.10 races]

2.0 SWINLEY FOREST HANDICAP (£2,870 : 1m)

1 233031 **Baronet** (D) (F. Harris), C. Benstead, 9-10-0 ..... R. Rowe 2
2 412101 **Petronisi** (D,B) (Capt M. Leneo), C. Britain, 4-9-7 ..... L. Hide 3
3 114022 **Andy Rew** (CD) (G. Marshall), P. Cole, 5-9-4 ..... G. Baxter 5
4 440-140 **The Adrianstan** (S. Powell), J. Sutcliffe, 5-8-11 ..... W. Carson 6
5 2-03222 **Reparation** (Lady J. de Ardaney), G. Hunter, 3-8-5 ..... J. Lynch 1
6 22013-0 **Body Blow** (B. Tracey), D. Underwood, 4-8-7 ..... M. Roberts 4
7 011101 **So Proper** (E. and J. Burchett Ltd), G. Harwood, 3-8-5 ..... G. Starkey 7

5-2 Petronisi, 100-30 Baronet, 9-2 Andy Rew, 11-2 So Proper, 8-1 Reparation, The Adrianstan, 14-1 Body Blow.

2.30 DIADEM STAKES (Group III : £7,994 : 6f)

201 320301 **Crestown** (D) (R. Galpin), R. Smyther, 9-0-7 ..... R. Street 8
202 3-10401 **Glenturret** (D,B) (R. Sangster), D. Wells, 4-9-7 ..... W. Swinburn 1
205 230030 **Springhill** (D) (J. Purticil), C. Collins, 4-9-7 ..... P. Eddery 10
214 121413 **Welsh Captain** (D) (J. O'Rourke), C. Vittadini, 4-9-7 ..... W. Carson 14
215 000343 **Mofida** (D,B) (R. Sangster), B. Hills, 3-9-4 ..... W. Carson
220 431341 **Sweet Mint** (CD) (Mrs W. Haefner), N. Meade, 4-9-2 ..... L. Piggott 7
207 11-0010 **Absalom** (C,D) (Mrs C. Allington), R. Jarvis, 3-8-7 ..... M. Thomas 4
210 10-0100 **John de Coomba** (D) (A. Warren), P. Cole, 3-8-5 ..... G. Baxter 5
211 311000 **Middleton Sam** (D,B) (J. Norman), R. Hannon, 3-8-5 ..... B. Rouse 13
212 000340 **Smoke Singer** (CD) (Mrs B. Shack), P. Kelleway, 3-8-5 ..... J. Taylor 3
213 0-23311 **Vaigly Great** (D) (T. Salter), M. Stoute, 3-8-5 ..... G. Starkey 11
214 742200 **La Rosee** (D, Scott), G. Hunter, 3-8-0 ..... M. Roberts 12
215 040303 **Negative Response** (Mrs E. Jackman), M. Haynes, 3-8-0 ..... D. McKay 13
216 121000 **Owslight** (Mrs O. Jackson), J. Sutcliffe, 3-8-0 ..... F. Durr 9
217 211108 **Sweetly** (R. Tikkoo), A. Breasley, 3-8-0 ..... P. Eddery 6

15-8 Vaigly Great, 100-30 Sweet Mint, 11-2 Glenturret, 8-1 Welsh Captain, 10-1 Absalom, Springhill, 12-1 Mofida, 14-1 others.

3.5 HOOVER MILE (Group III : 2-y-o fillies : £11,906 : 1m)

301 12 **Collage Pie** (Lord Porchester), W. Hern, 9-1 ..... W. Carson 2
302 3111 **Formulate** (D) (Mrs D. Butter), H. Cecil, 9-1 ..... J. Mercer 5
303 41 **Bias** (D) (E. Driffield), E. Weymes, 8-12 ..... L. Hide 8
305 41041 **Galaxy Virgo** (Galaxy Tape and Disc Co Ltd), R. Hannon, 8-12 ..... B. Rouse 3
306 114 **La Samanna** (F. Gibson), N. Meade, 8-12 ..... L. Piggott 6
308 21 **Odeon** (D) (H. Springfield Ltd), S. Cecil, 8-12 ..... G. Starkey 1
310 220 **Rimosa's Pet** (Sir C. Clarke), M. Stoute, 8-12 ..... G. Starkey 4
310 02004 **Lightning Record** (R. Mandell), P. Kelleway, 8-7 ..... B. Taylor 7
314 22 **Scintillate** (J. Morrison), J. Tree, 8-7 ..... P. Eddery 9

11-10 Formulate, 4-1 Rimosa's Pet, 5-2 Odeon, 6-1 Collage Pie, 8-1 La Samanna, 12-1 others.

3.40 CUMBERLAND LODGE STAKES (Group III : £7,532 : 1¼m)

305 011402 **Move Off** (D) (W. Baker), J. Calvert, 5-8-11 ..... E. Hide 5
308 111011 **Town and Country** (C.D.B) (Lord Porchester), W. Hern, 5-8-11 ..... W. Carson 4
406 031221 **Idle Waters** (D) (R. Crutchley), R. Houghton, 3-8-1 ..... J. Reid 1
408 0-30221 **Conte Santi** (H. Demetriou), H. Price, 3-8-2 ..... B. Rouse 2
409 121 **Fordham** (R. Sangster), V. O'Brien, 3-8-2 ..... P. Eddery 3

15-8 Conte Santi, 9-4 Town and Country, 100-30 Fordham, 11-2 Idle Waters, 12-1 Move Off.

4.10 CLARENCE HOUSE STAKES (2-y-o : £2,944 : 6f)

501 001902 **Arjan** (R. Tikkoo), A. Breasley, 9-4 ..... B. Rouse 3
502 102230 **Ashwellthorpe** (R. Tikkoo), A. Breasley, 9-1 ..... F. Durr 4
503 41213 **Halsaie** (D,B) (L. A. H. Ames Builders Ltd), R. Hannon, 9-1 ..... L. Piggott 1
507 2 **Bananas Foster** (W. Campbell), M. Stoute, 8-11 ..... G. Starkey 6
508 00 **Marble Bay** (B) (H. Demetriou), H. Cecil, 8-11 ..... J. Mercer 2
509 3 **Tromos** (G. Cambanis), B. Hobbs, 8-11 ..... J. Lynch 7
510 **Milford** (The Queen), W. Hern, 8-6 ..... W. Carson 7

9-4 Bananas Foster, 11-4 Tromos, 7-2 Halsaie, 9-2 Milford, 8-1 Marble Bay, 14-1 others.

4.40 GORDON CARTER HANDICAP (£2,782 : 2m)

601 001001 **Valuation** (CD,B) (The Queen), W. Hern, 5-10-2 ..... W. Carson 5
605 341111 **Ladbrokes Leisure** (D) (Sloane Bloodstock), D. Kent, 5-9-7 ..... R. Maddle 5
606 010000 **Kandos** (D,B) (U. Wijewardene), R. Armstrong, 3-8-13 ..... J. Reid 2
607 102304 **Indian Mark** (CD) (F. Rowe), Mrs L. Dingwall, 7-8-7 ..... D. McKay 1
608 0-00300 **Sweep Up** (Mrs E. Richards), C. Austin, 3-8-6 ..... R. Fox 4

13-8 Valuation, 11-4 Ladbrokes Leisure, 4-1 Indian Mark, 11-2 Kandos, 8-1 Sweep Up.

5.10 BISHOPGATE HANDICAP (£1,884 : 1m)

1 440211 **My Therape** (D) (C. Webster), M. Stoute, 4-10-0 ..... J. Rowe 15
2 0-00203 **Prince Gabriel** (D,B) (J. Whitney), J. Tree, 3-9-7 ..... S. Raymont 3 12
3 101031 **Poms Cleam** (D) (Mrs P. Sherwin), R. Hollinshead, 5-9-0 ..... M. Wigham 14
9 000113 **Taj Princess** (G. Brunton), P. M. Taylor, 4-8-11 ..... C. Bonness 8 4
11 311321 **Paddy's Luck** (CD,B) (Lady Clague), C. Benstead, 5-8-10 ..... W. Swinburn 3 11
12 00-0044 **Splendid Summer** (B) (Mrs V. Moynihan), P. Ashworth, 4-8-3 ..... J. Banks 6
14 101314 **Caladriel** (CD) (R. O'Driscoll), D. Kent, 4-8-3 ..... A. Alderman 8 2
16 004300 **Pages Boy** (D) (G. Harwood), Harwood, 6-8-0 ..... P. Bloomfield 6 1
21 103020 **Track Belle** (D) (R. Mason), Mason, 4-7-8 ..... N. Brannick 6 10
22 030203 **Happy Hector** (R. Khan), C. Britain, 3-7-7 ..... P. Bradwell 8 9
23 0-00120 **Miss Hartnell** (B) (Sir N. Hartnell), M. Haynes, 3-7-7 ..... A. Wright 10 3
24 0-00001 **Jubilee Year** (D) (Mrs E. Spence), B. Hobbs, 3-7-7 ..... C. Rodrigues 3 8
25 230212 **Lady Whitefoot** (D) (Mrs M. Marks), M. Jarvis, 3-7-7 ..... Miss D. Ford 10 7
27 000304 **Manhunter** (A. Richards), C. Austin, 3-7-7 ..... N. Howe 13
28 000 **Can-U-Bid** (Mrs R. Fitzpatrick), C. Hunter, 4-7-7 ..... R. Pennington 3 5

3-1 Poms Cleam, 4-1 My Therape, 5-1 Paddy's Luck, 11-2 Prince Gabriel, 6-1 Taj Princess, 8-1 Caladriel, 10-1 Lady Whitefoot, 12-1 Jubilee Year, 14-1 others.

Ascot selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.0 Petronisi. 2.30 Vaigly Great. 3.05 FORMULATE is specially recommended. 3.40 Conte Santi. 4.10 Bananas Foster. 4.40 Valuation. 5.10 My Therape.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Petronisi. 2.30 Vaigly Great. 3.5 Formulate. 4.10 Tromos. 4.40 Kandos. 5.10 My Therape.

Beverley selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.15 Secret Stake. 2.45 Ribble Rouser. 3.15 Boy Marvel. 3.45 Blue For You. 4.15 Tom Noel. 4.45 Conte Cavour.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 Lukoshko. 3.15 Irish Noble. 3.45 Blue For You. 4.15 Tom Noel. 4.45 Conte Cavour.

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DRIFFIELD ALL-AGED SELLING STAKES (£631 : 5f)

000011 **Piercing Note** (B), N. Vigors, 6-10-1 ..... L. Hannigan 4
10-10 **Pinacle** (D), J. Vickers, 5-10-1 ..... D. Nicholls 10
202000 **Sorrek** (D), M. Cousins, 4-9-5 ..... S. Parr 1
Swids Boy, A. Smith, 3-9-3 ..... — 15
0000- **Holland Mary**, D. Chapman, 5-8-5 ..... C. Eccleston 6
030000 **Secret Stake** (B), J. Etherington, 3-8-2 ..... E. Eldin 12
0000-0 **Wilmos**, C. Boukman, 4-8-2 ..... S. Hills 7
Sicke Princess, Fitzgerald, 3-7-9 ..... G. Duffield 11
030000 **Spanish Flute**, J. Mulhall, 3-9-0 ..... K. Leaton 7
000300 **Tina's Gold**, N. Hollinshead, 3-9-0 ..... T. Ives 13
002030 **Walshaw Minnie** (D), M. Camacho, 3-9-0 ..... J. Bleasdale 2
00000 **Admiral Sang**, P. Haslam, 2-8-0 ..... D. McKeown 8
0020 **Lukoshko**, P. Haslam, 2-8-0 ..... B. Jago 14
00 **Market Monarch**, S. Norton, 2-8-0 ..... M. Wood 5
00 **Secret Express**, R. Stubbs, 2-8-0 ..... S. Webster 9

4 Piercing Note, 7-2 Walshaw Minnie, 4-1 Sicke Princess, 11-2 Pinacle, 8-1 Lukoshko, 14-1 Tina's Gold, 16-1 others.

BEVERLEY CESAREWITCH TRIAL HANDICAP (£1,632 : 2m)

124002 **Fair Kitty** (CD), J. Fitzgerald, 7-9-7 ..... N. Price 6
33-00 **Mark Henry**, W. Elsey, 5-9-3 ..... W. Nicholson 5
3302220 **Migelitto** (CD), M. Naughton, 5-9-2 ..... J. Lowe 4
133102 **Fair Louise**, M. W. Easterby, 4-8-5 ..... C. Moss 1
232033 **Ribble Rouser**, W. C. Watts, 5-8-1 ..... M. Wood 2

Ribble Rouser, 3-1 Fair Kitty, 7-2 Migelitto, 4-1 Fair Louise, 6-1 Mark Henry.

CRUSADERS HORN HANDICAP (£1,310 : 1m 2f)

033202 **Wickwell** (D), A. W. Jones, 5-9-5 ..... — 4
031000 **Irish Noble** (B), Doug Smith, 5-9-4 ..... J. Lowe 3
40-111 **Boy Marvel** (D), J. Bingham, 5-8-13 ..... K. Darley 9
020002 **Kadeal**, R. Houghton, 3-8-11 ..... A. Kimberley 2
231004 **Hot Shot** (CD), W. C. Watts, 6-8-11 ..... K. Nicholls 11
300010 **Ortolano** (D), R. D. Peacock, 6-8-9 ..... S. Webster 7
00- **Molly's Lad**, M. H. Easterby, 4-8-8 ..... M. Birch 8
0043 **Viscount**, C. Thornton, 4-8-5 ..... J. Bleasdale 12
3-0 **Huntercombe Lad**, J. Skilling, 5-7-7 ..... L. Parkes 6

Boy Marvel, 100-30 Kadeal, 9-2 Viscount, 6-1 Hot Shot, 7-1 Ortolano, Irish Noble, 12-1 Wickwell, 20-1 others.

BROMPTON NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o : £1,402 : 5f)

210030 **Tribal Jester** (D), S. Norton, 9-5 ..... G. Sexton 9
113034 **Tremellick** (D), M. Camacho, 9-1 ..... G. Gosney 10
00230 **Blue For You** (B), J. Hindley, 8-12 ..... A. Kimberley 8
40000 **Stelchworth**, N. Adam, 8-8 ..... J. Bleasdale 4
230130 **Fillserdale** (D), M. W. Easterby, 8-8 ..... C. Dwyer 1
0242 **Midnight Journey**, E. Weymes, 8-7 ..... G. Duffield 5
031000 **Miss Bushby** (D), J. Fitzgerald, 8-4 ..... M. Birch 11
421000 **Sharpenella** (B), N. Vigors, 8-4 ..... E. Eldin 6
000300 **Bannonward**, P. Asquith, 7-12 ..... K. Darley 3
402410 **Pit Stop** (D), R. Stubbs, 7-12 ..... S. Webster 2
101000 **Own Arrangements** (D), W. Wharton, 7-8 ..... L. Pinto 5
022210 **Trimpack Girl** (D), A. Smith, 7-7 ..... — 12

Midnight Journey, 4-1 Blue For You, 5-1 Fillserdale, 6-1 Trimpack Girl, Tremellick, 8-1 Sharpenella, 12-1 Pit Stop, 14-1 others.

SANCTON STAKES (3-y-o : £1,410 : 1¼m)

24-1103 **McAdam**, F. Rimell, 9-6 ..... T. Ives 2
2-1 **Tom Noel**, H. Cecil, 9-0 ..... A. Kimberley 1

Tom Noel, evens McAdam.

GARROWBY MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o : £909 : 1m)

0 **Broughty Pier**, C. Thornton, 9-0 ..... E. Apter 15
0000 **Cambra Boy** (B), M. W. Easterby, 9-0 ..... C. Moss 1
00 **Carallist**, J. Etherington, 9-0 ..... E. Eldin 6
003 **Conte Cavour**, H. Cecil, 9-0 ..... A. Kimberley 3
003 **Danny Bidder**, P. Wigham, 9-0 ..... K. Darley 12
000-30 **Hand of God** (B), J. Etherington, 9-0 ..... L. Lowe 10
003 **Ibn Sam**, W. Wharton, 9-0 ..... W. Wharton 11
000 **Islay Mist**, M. H. Easterby, 9-0 ..... M. Birch 7
0 **Our Sovereign**, S. Norton, 9-0 ..... M. Wood 12
0300 **Riodero**, C. Britain, 9-0 ..... G. Duffield 13
0300 **Shoelerboy**, K. Stapleton, 9-0 ..... S. Perks 2
03 **Sombrero**, C. Thornton, 9-0 ..... J. Bleasdale 9
The Lodge, R. Hollinshead, 9-0 ..... T. Ives 8
0 **Tipton Lowry**, M. Camacho, 9-0 ..... G. Gosney 4
230 **Wise Man**, W. H.-Bass, 9-0 ..... A. Bond 5

7-4 Danny Bidder, 3-1 Conte Cavour, 4-1 Sombrero, 11-2 Wise Man, 7-1 Carallist, 12-1 Riodero, 14-1 others.

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NEWQUAY NOVICES' URDLE (Div 1: £455 : m 40yd)

Bargonne, 6-11-5 S. Smith Eccles
Falls Road, 7-11-5 .. R. Crank
Final Word, 6-11-5 .. P. Leach
Flanders, 5-11-5 ..... —
Queen of the Bees, 5-11-5 .. J. Butchard 4
Ask Me Nicely, 4-11-0 .. J. Williams

5 Final Word, 4-1 Falls Road, 9-2 en of the Bees, 5-1 *Bargonne*, 16-1 ndell, Ask Me Nicely.

DUCHY OF CORNWALL CHALLENGE CUP CHASE (Handicap: £947 : 2m 40yd)

3 El Cardo, 8-12-0 .. P. Richards
3 Calculator, 8-11-8 Mr R. Isgar
Soul Music, 8-10-5 .. J. Suthorn
Mouldy Old Dough, 9-10-5 .. S. May

3 Dornie, 8-10-0 ..... T. Casey
2-1 El Cardo, 11-4 Calculator, 7-2 *Mouldy Old Dough*, 5-1 Dornie, 6-1 ul Music.

0 MURPHY TV HURDLE (Handicap: £778 : 3m 1f)

Given, 6-12-1 ..... J. Jenkins
Royal, 12-14-7 .. B. Reilly
Strakland, 7-10-0 .. P. Leach
5 Royal, 11-5 Given, 14-1 akland.

0 TRURO OPPORTUNITY SELLING HURDLE (Handicap: £353 : 2m 4yd)

0 Harsh Note, 12-11-12 Miss M. Sherren
0 Rock Dove, 7-12-11 .. M. Williams
50 Marcia's Mark, 13-11-2 C. Gray
0- Bright Baby, 8-11-1 M. Barrett
0- Charlestrafford, 10-10-13 G. Knight
0- Court God, 6-10-10 N. Dunger
7-4 Rock Dove, 3-1 Marcia's Mark, 5 Harsh Note, 6-1 Charlestrafford, 0-1 Bright Baby, 20-1 Court God

30 BUSH TV NOVICES' CHASE (£840 : 3m 1f)

0-3 Current Thoughts, 12-11-7 J. Williams
of Frozen Path, 9-11-7 P. Richards
04- National Express, 6-11-1 S. May
12 Octave, 8-11-7 .... R. Rimston
6-4 Frozen Path, 6-4 Current houghts, 6-1 Octave, 25-1 National xpress.

.0 NEWQUAY NOVICES HURDLE (Div 2: £461 : 2m 40yd)

13 Foxy Boy, 4-11-10 Miss J. Thorne
Arctic Flyer, 5-11-5 .. M. Brisbourne
0-0 Aurige, 5-11-5 .. N. Bonner
304 Balustrade, 5-11-5 .. J. Williams
20- Curraghglass, 7-11-5 .. T. Hallett
0-0 Fair Georgina, 8-11-5 .. M. Barrett
Keen Spirit, 6-11-5 .. Mr A. Wilson 7
Klondyke Wedding, 6-11-5 .. S. May
450 River Spell, 5-11-5 .. K. Dysart
00 Mount Teide, 5-11-0 .. R. Peare
02 Tis Song, 4-11-0 .. S. Smith Eccles

2-1 Tis Song, 7-1 River Spell, 4-1 enny Boy, 5-1 Balustrade, 8-1 Fair eorgina, 12-1 Curraghglass, 25-1 thers.

DEVON SELECTIONS: 2.30 Final Word. 3.0 El Cardo. 3.30 Rolyat. 4.0 Marcia's Mark. 4.30 Octave. 5.0 Foxy Boy.

Perth NH

2.15 KINNOULL HURDLE (Handicap: £386 : 2m)

pp-p **Lerazma**, 5-12-0 .. S. Johnson
000 **Harrys Fizzalo**, 5-11-10 .. K. Williams
3 **Le Dauphin**, 5-11-1 .. Ennis
00-0 **Larella**, 6-10-11 ..... Tuck
100- **Never Flap**, 4-10-11 .... Carvill
Ego Trip, 7-10-9 ..... Grant
504- **Petitts Lane**, 5-10-5 .. Nesbitt

11-8 Le Dauphin, 11-4 Never Flap, 9-2 Petitts Lane, 7-1 Harrys Fizzalo, 10-1 Lerazma, 16-1 others.

2.45 FAIR MAIDS CHASE (Handicap: £926 : 2½m)

111 **Fine Fellow**, 9-12-4 C. Hawkins
11/- **San Gennaro**, 8-11-6 .. Shields
00-0 **Oskard**, 9-11-1 ..... O'Neill
30-5 **Welton Lad**, 8-10-9 .. K. Taylor
pp-0 **Noon**, 11-10-8 .... Evens
Fine Fellow, 9-4 San Gennaro, 4-1 Welton Lad, 12-1 others.

3.15 TENNENTS HURDLE (Handicap: £805 : 2½m)

0/1- **Vimy Ridge**, 6-12-1 .. Mr Dun 4
000- **Blue Chrome**, 6-11-5 .. O'Neill
20-3 **Hopeful Bloom**, 5-10-5 .. Holmes
p40 **Hurry Back**, 12-10-1 Hemiker 7
422 **Homefield**, 10-10-1 .... Murphy
311- **Purple Haze**, 4-10-0 .. Charlton
0 **Copper Castle**, 6-10-0 .. Ennis 7

15-8 Purple Haze, 11-4 Vimy Ridge, 4-1 Homefield, 15-2 Hopeful Bloom, 10-1 Blue Chrome, 12-1 Hurry Back, 16-1 Copper Castle.

3.45 DUNCRUB HURDLE (4-y-o novices: £436 : 2m)

00-1 **Summer Saint**, 11-3 .... Lamb
Arctic Ander, 10-7 .... Harry
000- **Carlismo**, 10-7 ..... Collins
Don't Forget, 10-7 .. Page
22-4 **General Patterns**, 10-7 ..
High Hills, 10-7 ..... Maughan
220- **Hit the Roof**, 10-7 .. Charlton
0 **La Raine**, 10-7 .. Fairhurst 4
20- **Lautop**, 10-7 ..... Maughan

3-1 Summer Saint, 100-30 La Raine, 9-2 Hit the Roof, 12-1 Lautop, 10-1 Arctic Ander, Don't Forget, 14-1 General Patterns, 16-1 others.

4.15 CLAN MACNAB CHASE (Novices: £415 : 3m)

100- **Mezzofanti**, 6-11-2 Mr A. Wilson
0-21 **Palace Guard**, 6-11-7 .. Shields
Sub Judice, 7-11-2 Mr Earnshaw
302- **Super Glazepta**, 6-11-2 .. Barry
00- **Seven Stars**, 5-10-13 .. O'Neill
13-8 Palace Guard, 9-4 Super Glazepta, 4-1 Mezzofanti, 7-1 Seven Stars, 12-1 Sub Judice.

4.45 COLONEL JOHN McKIE HURDLE (Novices: £446 : 2½m)

000- **Caravino**, 5-11-12 Mr Whitaker 7
Dare, 5-11-12 .. Mr Greaves 7
300 **Hatfield Heath**, 7-11-12 Mr Mackie 4
04-0 **Hermit's Delight**, 5-11-12 Mr Bothell 7
0- **O'er Sourra**, 6-11-12 .. —
004- **Our Prince**, 6-11-12 Mr Craggs 4
Para's Paradise, 5-11-12 Mr Walton
000 **Pirate Glen**, 10-11-2 Mr Crawford 7
000- **Real Pickings**, 5-11-12 Mr Dun 4
Romany Cloud, 5-11-12 Mr Wilson
0-0p **Tully Town**, 7-11-12 Mr Lang 7
Harpercraft, 4-11-5 Mr Robertson 7

9-4 Our Prince, 11-4 Hermit's Delight, 4-1 Hatfield Heath, 11-2 Pirate Glen, 8-1 Tully Town, 12-1 Real Pickings, 16-1 others.

PERTH SELECTIONS: 2.15 Never Flan. 2.45 Welton Lad. 3.15 Hopeful Bloom. 3.45 La Raine. 4.15 Super Glazepta. 4.45 Our Prince.

Worcester NH

2.0 BLACKPOLE HURDLE (Handicap: £408 : 2m)

Opp- **Ruffahman**, 5-12-0 .. W. Morris
030- **Solecism**, 5-11-12 Mr Cambidge 7
2- **Sabarak**, 5-11-10 .. S. Holland
102 **Tread Softly**, 5-11-8 .. Clay
p **Uncle Newby**, 6-10-13 R. Wilding
Evens Tread Softly, 7-2 Solecism, 4-1 Ruffahman, 5-1 Sabarak, 20-1 Uncle Newby.

2.30 HENWICK CHASE (Novices: £588 : 2m)

133 **Simone Martini**, 9-12-3 R. Mann
00-0 **Captain Hardy**, 9-11-7 Mr R. Mann
004- **Danoaglo**, 7-11-7 .. Cartwright
303- **Kinvasion**, 6-11-7 .... C. Jones
200- **Lone General**, 9-11-7 .. W. Smith
0- **Mood Music**, 6-11-7 .. Webber
021 **Benghazi Express**, 4-11-3 *Smart*
400 **Ashford Antics**, 5-11-2 .. J. King
00-0 **Sadat**, 5-11-2 ..... Champion
Sibard 5-11-2 Mr P. Scudamore 7

4-7 Lone General, 9-2 Benghazi Express, 5-1 Simone Martini, 12-1 Ashford Antics, Kinvasion, 16-1 others.

3.0 ERNEST HAWKESFORD HURDLE (Handicap: £849 : 3m)

00-0 **Bonnison**, 7-11-4 .... C. Smith
401 **Jacksfones**, 7-11-1 ..... Dicken
-11- **Grecian Fighter**, 6-10-7 W. Smith
0-32 **Equivocal**, 9-10-5 .... Francome
120 **Croftamie**, 10-10-3 .... C. Jones
00-0 **Chameleon**, 7-10-0 .... J. King

7-4 Equivocal, 3-1 Croftamie, 9-2 Jacksfones, 5-1 Bonnison, 8-1 Grecian Fighter, 14-1 Chameleon.

3.30 BROMSGROVE CHASE (Handicap: £875 : 3m)

00 **Dancing Ned**, 10-11-9 Francome
1-51 **Super Slave**, 10-11-2 .. R. Evans
0-23 **Gay Heath**, 7-11-1 .. Hobbs
0-10 **Paradise Flight**, 10-10-1 Wilding
00-2 **Sharny Syke**, 10-10-1 .... Clay
153 **Naval Power**, 8-10-0 .. R. Hyett

13-8 Super Slave, 7-2 Gay Heath, 9-2 Sharny Syke, 6-1 Dancing Ned, Naval Power, 14-1 Paradise Flight.

4.0 INKBERROW HURDLE (£858 : 2½m)

00- **Decent Fellow**, 5-11-10 .. Linley
3-2 **Grando King**, 9-11-10 .. Whyte 4
10- **Salado**, 7-11-10 ..... C. Price

13-8 Decent Fellow, 5-2 Grando King, 10-1 Salado.

4.30 COVENTRY CHASE (Handicap: £892 : 2½m)

0p- **Colonel Mustard**, 10-12-5 M. Bastard 5
41- **Anthony of Padua**, 7-10-13 Mooney
20/ **Saddlers Queen**, 5-10-5 .. A. Coogan

4-5 Colonel Mustard, 2-1 Anthony of Padua, 6-1 Saddlers Queen.

WORCESTER SELECTIONS: 2.0 Tread Softly. 2.30 Lone General. 3.0 Equivocal. 3.30 Gay Heath. 4.0 Decent Fellow. 4.30 Anthony of Padua.

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Playing the Government game of 5 per cent bluff

The fact is that Ford can afford to pay more and would have been prepared to do so had it not been required to pay less

In politics, as in most other activities, it is usually a good idea to refrain from trying to bluff your adversary unless, in the last resort, you are prepared to have your bluff called. What has happened with Ford is that the management and the workers together have called the Government's bluff by taking its 5 per cent figure literally.

Disconcerting though this shock has been for the Government, now that it has happened, it is anyone's guess how far ministers are really sorry that their first fight of the pay campaigning season is on this particular field of battle.

Of course, Mr Callaghan, Mr Healey and their colleagues had never supposed that the 5 per cent increase figure could be applied rigidly in this phase of their incomes policy. They never expected this to be possible any more than they supposed that their 10 per cent figure would be the real increase in the previous phase.

When they said 10 per cent last time, they had expected (and admitted as much) that pay increases would actually turn out to be over 14 per cent in real terms, which is what happened. And now that they talk about 5 per cent, they do not exactly mean that they expect to get away with 5 per cent. Yet 5 per cent is the rigid figure round which the battle is now raging, with threats of sanctions against the company if it yields—and all because the Government's words were taken at face value.

Because the fight is round a rigid figure, and because the Government is threatening "sanctions" in a particular case, there is a certain apparent similarity between Mr Callaghan's incomes policy and Mr Heath's. But the differences are profound.

In the first place, Mr Heath's policy was a statutory policy. It had a legal basis and resistance to it was, therefore, according to the letter of the law, illegal. Mr Callaghan's incomes policy, on the other hand, has no legal basis and it is applied on ministerial say-so, regardless of particular circumstances.

Secondly, the Government is itself acting with doubtful respect for the spirit of the law when it seeks to enforce its non-statutory "norm" with threats of sanctions, in the form of the withdrawal of government grants or government orders, against companies which do not toe the line.

But there is a third difference which is the crucial one. The present battle over 5 per cent is being fought in the private sector, and over the question whether a private industrial (and multinational) company which is in profit, and which is (in British terms) doing well just now, should be allowed to pay no more than 5 per cent even if this particular company's management thinks it can afford more.

In sharp contrast, Mr Heath's battle with the miners took place in the public sector in which not merely the law but direct government money is always involved in the last resort to provide higher wages not covered by higher productivity.

The question now, of course, is what the present Government's attitude will be when it comes to deal with public sector claims, for which the public employees are already sending up angry shouts.

Mr James Prior, the Conservative spokesman for employment and labour relations is, of course, quite right to remind the Ford workers that (even under the Government's pay guidelines) they can get more than 5 per cent if they agree a government-approved productivity deal with the management. And, of course, it is the lack of productivity that is at the heart of Britain's economic problems.

The feebleness of our performance is shown sharply by the poor productivity of Ford in Britain compared with Ford in the mainland of Europe.

Further, it is surely unarguable that the Ford workers behaved inexcusably in precipitately walking out at the first flourish of the fearful 5 per cent, even though their present agreement has not yet expired.

However, there is another side to the question. The Ford workers can reasonably argue that when Ford has produced a handsome profit (as it did last year) then by demanding a share of that increase, they are only claiming what, for practical purposes, could be called a productivity deal—though it might be better described as a "share-of-profitability" deal. And at least this is money that has already been earned by performance, which is more than can be said of many of the bogus productivity deals which relate to notional future performance and which are devised solely to conform to the letter of the government's private "law".

The fact is that Ford can afford to pay something more than 5 per cent and would have been prepared to do so, had it not been required, by the insensitivity and crudeness of the Government's wages policy, to pay less to set an example to those parts of industry which perform much worse than Ford —British Leyland for one, not to mention British Steel.

And the question is whether the damage to industrial relations and production in a company that is doing comparatively well is a price worth paying to hold the Government's pay policy elsewhere.

What is needed in British industry is a better spirit, a better understanding that its workers benefit directly from the profitability of their companies and from their own effort—and a real sense that when things are better, the improvement is shared among those who earn it. And we shall not start improving the morale of our workforce and turning the corner as a nation until we really start looking at things in this way.

That is why the fight over Ford is, to put it mildly, unfortunate. I do not say that this battle will not be eventually successful for the Government, according to the Government's narrow criteria for success.

No doubt, in the end, a Ford settlement will be arranged (probably with some kind of ministerial intervention) around some kind of productivity-on-paper deal which will enable the mainstream increase to be kept at nominally 5 per cent. And it may well be that this will have repercussions on pay settlements as a whole.

Though they will certainly be more than 5 per cent in real terms, they may still be less than they would have been (certainly that is what ministers will claim) had the Government not fought this fight.

But the question remains what this battle is doing for British industrial performance, and the answer is nothing. All that it is doing is appearing to penalize the relatively more successful in order to have an easier ride with the less successful. It is, moreover, a fight designed to enable the economy to be run in a particular sort of way—that is to say, a battle to enable inflation to be kept in some kind of check on the wages front so as to escape from the obligation to impose proper financial discipline over public expenditure.

For the Conservatives, there are serious dangers in the Government's tactics, and their response should be wary. Of course, Mr Prior is right to urge Ford to reach a productivity deal. Of course, he is right to stress that the Tories would not insist on firm percentage figures for particular increases, as the present Government is doing, but would be more flexible.

The Conservatives are also right to say that, if they were in office, they would indicate roughly what the nation could afford in broad wages increases, and then shape their financial and economic policy according to the extent that their advice was taken. But in the last analysis, the sort of battle in which the Government is now engaged is not one in which it should command the Conservatives as allies.

If Mr Callaghan and Mr Healey win this battle on their own terms, it will be tantamount to a victory for a particular kind of government, and it will be one that logically points to power for Labour and not for the Tories. At the present juncture this is not the kind of government likely to enable the economy to be so restructured as to tackle our basic problem.

It means the kind of government in which wages policy pays for incontinent public spending. It means the kind of government in which profitable work subsidizes unprofitable work.

It means the kind of government which, by bureaucratically trying to impose specific wages limits for everyone, enables wages distortions and anomalies to flourish, and so provides a rich pasture for industrial conflict and left-wing agitation. It means a society in which government is by bluff—in which at one moment it seems to talk as though 5 per cent is an absolute figure, and at another as though it were an average, even though no individual company has the information to know what part it should play in the averaging out.

Worst of all, it means an economy run in such a way that a government will not be able to remit taxes, nor permit the reward of enterprise; an economy in which managers cannot manage, but have the government managing for them. It means the continuance of a low wage economy in order to continue to pay the price, in terms of government spending and redistribution, of what used to be called Labour's social contract.

Mr Prior may even be right, technically, when he says that no Conservative government could, in all circumstances, rule out a statutory incomes policy. If he means a short-term freeze in a crisis, then, of course, that could always happen. But the real question is whether we are to have, permanently, a statutory incomes policy, or worse an incomes policy backed by the Government's personal *fiat* policy, in which bureaucrats say who gets what, managements are hamstrung, and the government is free not to encourage industrial enterprise.

That, at any rate is the kind of policy for which Mr Callaghan is fighting. If the electorate is to be given a proper choice between policies at the next election, the Tories should have none of it. They are, we know, against the Government's sort of incomes policy in theory. But what do they really feel about it when it gets down to concrete battles like the one at Ford's?



Ahmed Ben Salah, Hassan Bel Khodja (now Minister of Agriculture), and Hedi Nc (now Prime Minister), in 1969, before Ben Salah's arrest.

Tunisia: why the socialist experiment has failed

The trial resumes in Tunis today of Mr Habib Achour, until last January leader of the General Union of Tunisian Workers (UGTT), and 29 of his trade union colleagues. President Habib Bourguiba, the "supreme combatant" and hero of Tunisia's independence struggle, is presiding over a sinister, Franco-like *fin de règne*. Tunisia's once-powerful labour movement has been crushed, or at least decapitated, and turned into a mere appendage of the ruling Destourian Socialist Party (PSD), led by Mr Mohamed Sayah, whose militia was used in January for attacks on trade union offices and leaders in the manner of Mussolini's *squadri*.

That things have come to this is a source of great sorrow to anyone who knows Tunisia and appreciates the friendly, amenable, relaxed character of its people (often contrasting with their North African neighbours). But it is especially saddening to those who believe, or hope, that democratic socialism need not be an irrelevant formula to the Third World—that the choice for developing countries does not have to be between Marxist coercion on one side and capitalism protected by a military dictatorship on the other. For less than 10 years ago Tunisia, while firmly pro-Western in its foreign policies and liberal (though not perfectly democratic) in its political regime, was the scene of one of the most advanced socialist experiments in the non-communist world.

That phase of Tunisian history, too, was presided over by Habib Bourguiba. But under him, its hero (or villain) was Ahmed Ben Salah, Minister of the Plan and of Finance from 1961 to 1969. It was in September, 1969, just after the Libyan revolution, that he suddenly fell from grace. After a few weeks as Minister of Education he was placed under house arrest, then accused of "deceiving the President". Bourguiba claimed to have discovered that the cooperative programme was really very unpopular with the people, and that Ben Salah had concealed the truth from him in order to build up his personal power.

"I was accused of showing wells on television where there was really no water", Mr Ben Salah says. "But I never controlled the television. If there was deception, then I was the first to be deceived."

In May, 1970, Ahmed Ben Salah was sentenced to 10 years' hard labour for high treason. But in February, 1973, he managed to escape—after being warned, he says, that the regime planned to murder him in his cell. Since then he has lived abroad, mainly in Austria (he is a close friend of Chancellor Bruno Kreisky) but travelling constantly and taking considerable precautions. I met him "somewhere in Europe" last week, and he was unwilling to be photographed full face, not wanting the Tunisian authorities to have an up-to-date mug-shot in their files. Now aged 52, he is convinced that the regime is still eager to eliminate him.

Meanwhile the Government headed by Mr Hedi Nouira has been pursuing a determinedly liberal economic policy, breaking up the cooperatives and leaving prices and profits free, while seeking to hold down wages through a kind of social contract. It was the revolt of the trade union rank-and-file against this policy which led to the clash between the Government and Mr Achour (who for a long time had been a firm supporter of the new policy) last winter.

The Government was alarmed by the growing independence and combativeness of the UGTT, and also, Mr [illegible] by the communist-influenced UGTT leadership and its clandestine opposition group, People's Unity Movement (MUP). An agreement of principle had been reached in autumn, he says, according which the MUP would be "political expression" of UGTT, and the UGTT "base" of the MUP (somew on the lines of the relation between the TUC and Labour Party). This agreem was secret, but he thinks regime knew of it and t fright.

The MUP programme, iss in January, 1977, makes basic demands:

- liberation of all polit detainees;
- total respect for h liberties;
- constitution of a transitic government "of national pc lar solidarity", and organizat of free parliamentary electio
- reform of the constitutio
- free presidential election

I asked whether he thou such a programme, true a it sounds realistic for developing country. "But Tunisia", he replied, " régime claims we have achie an important leve of deve ment. They say they had to rid of the socializing exp ment to restore freedom. what freedom, for whom? They have crushed people were simply asking for grea liberties, more democra organization. . . . They h gone a long way down the r towards fascism, using same methods as fascism e where. But to protect wi to achieve what? Th economic failure is made cl by the discontent of workers. . . . We have fal back into a kind of soci which is the same as we l under colonization."

Edward Mortim

Swilling in a shebeen with blankes and bliksem

Scene: a London pub. Enter van der Merwe from Bloemfontein, wearing a blazer emblazoned with badges, short back and sides, and the intellectual expression of a lock forward jumping stud-first into the ruck. He discovers Patel, a Londoner, lounging on a seat and reading.

van der Merwe: Ag, sis, domkop. Do you take this for a library, hey?

Patel: I beg your pardon.

van der Merwe: Ah Big Yaws. Shebeens are for swilling in till your eyeballs roll, not reading, hey?

Patel: You sound like a South African.

van der Merwe: You sound like a trassie to me, and may be an opstoker, too.

Patel: How interesting. I happen to be dipping into this new dictionary of South African English. I see that you think I sound like what we call a pooftah, and possibly a trouble-maker as well. Yours is a rich and strange tributary of the mighty river of our glorious English language.

van der Merwe: That is an example of your Cockney humour, not so? I know that you verdomde Engelsmen are eaten up with hypocrisy and Boerhaat, you Kafferboetie. Take care, man, or I will donder you.

Patel: Calm down, old chap, I was not being sarcastic. I do find South African English interesting, now that I can understand it. I had forgotten how many of our common stock of English words come from your linguistic melting-pot. And not merely the obvious ones, like trek. But how many Britons today who go pony-trekking or "commandeer" a company car realize that they are echoing the jargon of the early Cape frontiersmen?

van der Merwe: Oh, if it is our language and not our politics you're interested in, perhaps we need not after all be bad friends.

Patel: You cannot separate language from politics, old man. What you call the Anglo-Boer War brought the African veld into the parlours of Brixton and the pubs of Highgate, with words like kop that are still with us, especially at Anfield. Your modern politics is introducing us to such gloomy words as apartheid, verkramp, amandha, hippo, troopie, terr, and the Immo Act. Indeed it is an example of the power of words that rulers of many countries think they can make their policies more attractive by giving them new names.

van der Merwe: Go garshly, bliksem. You English preach at us from your dirty preekstoel without understanding anything about our country.

Patel: Well, this dictionary will help us to understand. Its comprehensive system of cross-referencing gives a thorough trek through your white and black words of grand and petty apartheid, Bantustans, resettlement, nie-blankes, domboeks and the rest of the nightmare apparatus.

van der Merwe: But does it say anything about our beautiful country, man? That is what matters about South Africa to those of us not obsessed with politics like what you are.

Patel: I doubt whether it is possible to close one's eyes permanently to politics. But, of course, the dictionary deals faithfully with your splendid fauna and flora; though with only about 3,000 headwords it cannot pretend to be a detailed biological glossary. I was amazed to discover that the unfortunate ostrich is classed as farming stock, that its meat is used for biltong for humans and pet food, and its eggs for omelettes and cakes with such delicious names as poffertjie.

van der Merwe, suspiciously: Who made this book?

Patel: The Oxford University Press, of course. Are there any other dictionaries?

van der Merwe: I am not paying any heed to a book made by verdomde uitlanders, finish and klaar, is it?

Patel: For God's sake, old fellow. The dictionary has been edited by an authentic mevrou and a kenner, Jean Branford. She grew up in Cape Town, lives near George, and teaches at Rhodes University. She shows the rich medley of your language, which cannot be confined in compartments by separate development like people. South African English has evolved not just from the vocabularies of the Dutch and British colonial administrations, but also from Coloured, Indian, Malayan, and the rich varieties of African speech. One day perhaps your people will mix as freely as your lingo.

van der Merwe: But does she give the language we okes use today?

Patel: Oh, yes. Her illustrative citations are taken from everyday speech as well as literature. For example, to illustrate the South African use of to sleep to mean to lie down, not necessarily to be asleep, she quotes a 17-year-old schoolboy: "I was sleeping on the ground in the middle of the scrum and someone stood on me."

van der Merwe: Do you need a passbook to get a drink in this bloody pub, lekker ou. I am los hoznot, my throat is as dry as a donga, and I smoak a Modder River of beer.

Patel: I'll buy you a beer, and you can tell me how misunderstood you are. So long as we stay on the ground floor. Nothing personal, you understand. But my vertigo has been accentuated by reading what happens to people of my sort of colour who help BOSS with its inquiries on the thirteenth floor. If you're interested, *A Dictionary of South African English*, edited by Jean Branford, is published by OUP, £7.75.

Philip Howard

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ARTS DIARY

A new cultural edifice heads for unveiling

Up in Yorkshire next week they will start turning into reality the plans for English National Opera North, the first full-time opera company to be created in Britain for several decades.

Starting an opera company is rather like simultaneously founding a symphony orchestra and a theatre company, and then throwing in a choir for good measure.

Most of the British opera companies have grown slowly from small beginnings; at Leeds on November 15, ENO North must appear on stage, fully fledged, and then perform for seven months all over the North. Having only a year to establish everything has not made things any easier.

The name makes the company sound like simply an adjunct of the ENO in London, obscuring the fact that though it will borrow many productions and singers from London, a complete organization has to be founded in the North.

Not that ENO North has had difficulty in attracting recruits: there were more than 800 applicants for the 53 posts in the orchestra alone, and about 400 were auditioned over several months. David Lloyd-Jones, the music director of the company, said he was very pleased by the quality of the musicians; many of those selected have strong northern connexions.

Last month the company's principal singers and guest artists started their coaching for the initial productions but on Monday the company really begins work together, with technical staff working in the Grand Theatre, Leeds, and the chorus of 37 starting rehearsals. Production and orchestra rehearsals begin on October 16.

Lloyd-Jones said it had all been a great rush but there had been no disastrous hitches. He has found life particularly awkward since he has to maintain a heavy conducting schedule at the London Coliseum. "I'm trying to found an opera company in my spare time", he said.

In case people still think ENO North is only a branch of the London company, the message will ring out on November 15. The ENO has religiously held to a policy of performing opera in English: ENO North's inaugural production will be *Samson et Dalila*, in French.

How to cut costs on overseas touring: returning from North America in November, the Scottish Baroque Ensemble will be working its passage on the QE2 by giving two concerts in mid-Atlantic.

Your print may soon be foxed

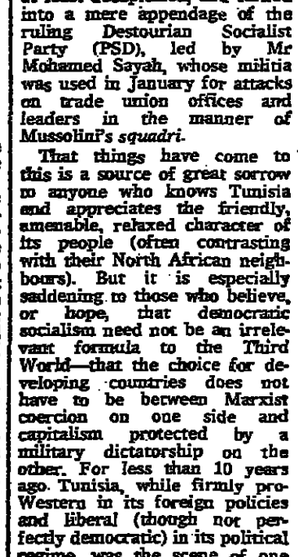
Most people, when taking a valuable print, drawing or watercolour to be framed, would never think of asking what type of mounting board would be used, yet many framers are still using a type of board that will in time irreparably damage a work of art.

Public galleries and museums in Britain mount such pictures on museum board, made from rag, because the ordinary wood-pulp board causes acid migration, leading to discoloration and deterioration of works on paper. Within just a few years foxing and staining can begin, and over a period of decades a picture can be ruined.

The importance of using museum board is well known among paper conservation experts, but Mr Matthew Pudney, one man involved in the field, says many commercial firms know little about it.

Mr Pudney, whose firm imports museum board from the United States, recently checked with 12 leading West End galleries which sell works on paper, sometimes for thousands of pounds. He said one or two, such as Colnaghi's and Agnew's, insisted on museum board as a matter of policy.

But the others did not know whether their framers used it, or did not care. He said the managing director of one Bond Street gallery told him their job was selling works of art; they had enough trouble getting them framed, without having to bother what sort of board was being used.



While Mr Pudney naturally has a vested interest in promoting museum board, his warnings are echoed by independent experts. Mr Eric Harding, chief conservation officer for prints and drawings at the British Museum, said: "We keep trying to spread the gospel, but there are plenty of commercial framers who are still using inferior wood-pulp board."

For a work of average size, mounting with museum board may cost £2 extra. In the circumstances it sounds a small expense for protecting a valued possession.

At the age of 85, Segovia might reasonably be thinking about retirement. Instead he embarks next month on a tour of England, during which he will give 11 concerts.

Actors in the ballet world

Having spent the summer singing in Gilbert and Sullivan, Tommy Steele's hopes of also temporarily joining the ballet world, in a gala at the London Coliseum on October 15, look like being frustrated.

He will probably be unable to prepare a suitable act in time because he cannot find the necessary rehearsal time. However it may still be possible for him to be compere.

Nevertheless someone else now best known as a straight actor will be joining the dancers: Christopher Gable, who left the Royal Ballet more than a decade ago, will be dancing with Lynn Seymour, the pas deux from *The Two Pigeons*.

Beecham's roya comeuppance

Ready for next year's c tenary of the birth of Thomas Beecham, today sa the publication of *Beech Stories*, by Harold Atkins a Arclie Newman (Robson Boo £3.50). It is a collection quotations and anecdotes th demonstrates not o Beecham's gift of humour t also his acid invective, such his description of Karajan "a kind of musical Malco Sargent".

Mr Newman, who is pub relations officer of Beecha old orchestra, the Royal Ph harmonic, said his favour story concerned an occasi when the conductor was hi self upstaged.

Before the last war Beech saw a very distinguish woman, whom he thought knew, in a Manchester hot Remembering vaguely that t woman had a brother, he ask if her brother was well and w still doing the same job.

She replied: "Oh yes, he very well, and is still King The woman was the Prince Royal, Mr Newman said. think it was the only tim Beecham was lost for words."

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HONOUR AND SELF-INTEREST

might be expected that the hairman of a British motor ompany would find labour dis-utes something to be borne if pt with resignation then at ast with the patience bred of miliarity. But Sir Terence eckett's remarks yesterday owed a sense of shocked ievance greater than might em justified even by a stop-ge so complete in a company hose labour relations are good r the standards of its industry. has looked likely for months at Fords would be the scene the first major battle over the overnment's 5 per cent olicy: why the surprise? But fact Sir Terence's outburst as directed less at the strikers emselves than at their unions. eir attitude has given him me reason to feel both sur-ised and aggrieved.

The wage agreement which e company and the unions tered into a year ago still has month to run. As usual, otiations on this year's settle-nt have begun before the old reement expires. With so much olitical attention concentrated the case, it is not altogether prising that many Ford kers precipitately walked out soon as they heard that the anagement's initial offer pro-osed to abide by the Govern-ent's guidelines. The action as unofficial and more or less ontaneous. Such displays of eling are often not unwelcome unions involved in negotia-ons. Normally, the union holds oof or issues mild remon-trances, and the action is soon ver. It is very unusual for a nion to endorse the breach of n agreement at this stage. But is time the AUEW quickly ade the strike official, and the ther two unions mainly involved ill probably do the same ithin the next few days.

When Mr Scanlon announced is executive's decision on uesday, he was clearly mbarrassed at the effect this as bound to have on negotia-ions. The company offered a productivity deal, and the strike has made it impossible for the time being to find out what it involved. Thus a familiar way out of the restrictions imposed by pay policy was closed. There is no reason to think that the offer was not a serious one; there is ample scope for such an agreement. But the labour movement is keyed up to see the Government's policies challenged, and the two largest unions concerned have new leaders anxious not to appear fumbling in such a crucial test. As a result, battle has been joined at Fords without the combatants knowing what terms they had already been offered.

Sir Terence said yesterday that the very fabric of society was threatened if solemn under-takings like his firm's bargain last year with the unions were not honoured. Britain is unusual among similar countries in that here the matter is one of honour and not one where the possibility of legal action arises. In Germany, Sweden and the United States collective agree-ments are enforceable by and against those who are parties to them. The Heath government attempted to plant the same practice here by ruling in the Industrial Relations Act, 1971, that such agreements should be regarded as legally binding unless they specifically provided that they were not. The Labour government reversed the pre-sumption in 1974. Neither initiative made any practical difference to a situation in which neither side in collective bargaining has ever seen any advantage in using the law to enforce agreements.

The unions were given wide immunities at the turn of the century against being sued for actions connected with a labour dispute. It is often claimed that the exceptional protection accorded when they were weak is not appropriate now than they are perhaps the strongest sec-tional force in society. There seems no clear reason, for instance, why a union leader should be free to libel his opponent when a politician is not. But to make procedural agreements like that over the duration of Ford's last settlement enforceable in the courts would be irrelevant. It will always be against the interests of the employer to risk prolonging or reviving disputes by seeking damages from employees or unions. No prudent employer ever made use of the 1963 Con-tracts of Employment Act to sue unofficial strikers individually. If British unions were made responsible for disciplining their own members in such circum-stances, as Swedish unions are, the unions would be split and the fundamental aim of recon-ciliation would again be frus-trated. Such provisions work where they are traditionally accepted, but would be useless if imposed against the opposition of most workers.

British unions are themselves normally respecters of formal agreements (prone as they are to wink at unofficial breaches). It is very much in the general interests of their members that they should be so and, indeed, that they should actively encourage their members to be the same. The AUEW's hasty refusal to look at Ford's produc-tivity offer, plunging the com-pany into a perhaps unnecessary strike, is an example of the way breach of this principle can harm the short-term interests of their members. Their long-term inter-ests are even more closely affected. Uncertainty about future industrial action is a major factor in determining a firm's investment prospects and its reputation for prompt and reliable delivery. Sir Terence Beckett spoke of honour. The dictates of honour often rest on a wide rather than narrow view of one's own advantage. For trade unions, the need to ensure that collective agreements are respected is a matter not only of honour, but also of self-interest.

THE BOERS CHOOSE THEIR LEADER

The policies of the South African government are unlikely to show any significant changes in the short term, whoever is elected as Prime Minister today in suc-cession to Mr Vorster. The two main candidates, Mr P. W. Botha, the Defence Minister, and Dr Connie Mulder, the Minister for Plural Relations (in effect race issues) speak with a similar, hard, voice and even the third contender can only be regarded as enlightened in the pecu-liarly unrealistic South African use of that word as meaning favouring the putting on of a slightly more human face on the obnoxious practice of separate development. In the longer term, however, the assumption of power has a habit of bringing out hitherto unsuspected qualities in a leader—for better or worse. The choice today, therefore, may prove more important than might seem on the face of it.

The National Party caucus which is being called on to vote for a leader consists of the party's Members of Parliament and Senators, numbering 175 in all. The Transvaal section of the party caucus is numerically the strongest, with 83 members, and traditionally the most influential, and there is little doubt that had Mr Vorster announced his resig-nation a year ago, the leader of the Transvaal party, Dr Mulder, who had long been regarded as the natural successor, would have taken over without the necessity for a vote.

Dr Mulder was then the Minister for Information and it was in that capacity that he ran into the difficulties which may today prove to have scuttled his chances of becoming Prime Minister, at least for the present. There has been no serious sug-gestion that he was personally involved in the financial scandal which resulted in the resigna-tions of several senior officials and the total overhaul of the information service, but his handling of the affair as the responsible minister came under considerable criticism, including criticism at the hands of the Afrikaans press. It is beyond question that his standing within the party was affected, although to what extent will become apparent today.

Dr Mulder faces the possi-bility of Transvaal defections over that issue, and because another of the contenders, though an unlikely winner, Mr R. F. "Pik" Botha, the Foreign Minister, is also from that province and will attract some of its votes. Mr Botha is a popular man among the Afri-kaans electorate. He is the most charismatic of the three conten-ders. But he is somewhat of an upstart in party terms. At 46 he is younger than South Africa usually likes its leaders to be, and he has not managed to estab-lish any power base within the party. If his turn does not come today, he is still a potential leader of the future.

That leaves Mr P. W. ("Piet") Botha, for more than a decade South Africa's defence minister. Leader of the party's second largest provincial caucus, that of the Cape, with 55 mem-bers, he is at 62, the oldest candidate and the most obvious hawk among them. A staunch advocate of a firm stand over Namibia, which has now become government policy, and resist-ance to foreign demands for concessions, he is saying, at present, what most white South Africans want to hear, both about the future internal policies of the country, and its relations with the outside world.

Whoever is chosen will not have it entirely his own way. Mr Vorster, as President, is bound to play a more influential role in the country's politics than his predecessors in that hitherto formal and social role have done. South Africa is also moving (though with some hesitation) towards a constitutional change of great importance, under which the effective power will be placed in the hands of an executive president. That post would have been Mr Vorster's for the asking. It would still probably go to the Prime Minister at the time, but it need not. To that extent, whoever is chosen today will be, in a sense, on trial.

Psychiatric patients

From Dr Robert Bluglass

Sir, On April 1, 1978 Lord Allen of Abbeydale in a letter to you hoped to draw attention to the statements made in the House of Lords debate (March 22) on the report of Lord Butler's committee on mentally abnormal offenders. On August 11, Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, MP, in an article described in some detail the plight of various categories of ill offender wrongly placed in prison or special hospital and on August 24 your Home Affairs correspondent described the "no-man's land" in which mentally abnormal offenders are caught while struggles continue between the Home Office and the Department of Health and Social Security about responsibility for their treatment. This was followed by yet another plea to find a solu-tion and reduce the pressure on prisons written by Miss Janet Fookes, MP, on September 15.

Most recently your medical corre-spondent, Dr Tony Smith, quoted the deep concern expressed by the Director of Prison Services, Dr J. Orr, at the inappropriate placement of the mentally disturbed in over-crowded prisons and he asked who will take responsibility for caring for this army of "unrewarding and difficult" patients that no one seems to want.

If psychiatric hospitals (who once cared for them) continue to find these patients unacceptable the answer must be a highly expensive one; to provide a new type of insti-tution, hostel or other residential accommodation specifically for this group, accommodation that is neither prison nor hospital. This is almost certainly an unrealistic solution at the present time. The more realistic alternative is for psychiatrists and nurses to recog-nize the need to provide shelter and care (asylum) for those who still need it together with a limited provision of well staffed and moderately secure accommodation for those who need neither special hospital (maximum security) nor regional secure unit (when avail-able).

In fact the National Health Service Acts continue to require hospital authorities to provide varying levels of care and security, but for the reasons discussed by Dr Smith, doctors and nurses in-creasingly find themselves unable or unwilling to accept the responsi-bility. This is complemented by the DHSS's apparent lack of authority to implement its policies at area, district or hospital level. It can only persuade and coerce but cannot insist.

The apathy that exists about this serious problem is perhaps reflec-ted in the lack of debate in your correspondence columns despite all the articles that you have recently published. Those who actually have to face the problem of finding a suitable placement for a mentally abnormal offender look to their psychiatric and nursing colleagues as well as Government authorities to find a quick solution.

To answer Dr Tony Smith, the responsibility must surely rest with them?

Yours faithfully,
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September 20.

Breaking with Soviet cities

From Mr Cyril Carr

Sir, As mover of the motion which led to the breaking of the links between Liverpool and Odessa, may I say that your correspondent, Mr John Corrin (September 26), is living in the past.

The fact that Tass has reacted so violently against the decisions of the Liverpool, Birmingham and Plymouth councils to break these links shows that the Russian autocracy is still responsive to public opinion abroad and may even result in the abandonment of the savage and barbaric sentences meted out to people who are attempting only to ensure that their own country conforms to the Helsinki agreement, which it signed, and to its own constitution.

No one would denigrate the enormous sacrifices of the Russian people during the last war. But it is a matter of history that the Russians entered into a pact with the Nazis and fought only when they were attacked.

As far as Liverpool is concerned, the so-called links with Odessa were more often in suspense than operative. There were many years following the Hungarian and Czechoslovak invasions when effectively there was no relation-ship at all.

Apart from that the occasional visits of civic dignatories did little or nothing to improve understand-ing. The reaction of the Russians now demonstrates that nothing becomes these links better than the breaking of them!

It is to be hoped that other British cities will follow suit and, indeed, that an international pattern will be established. In this way some of the millions of people in Russia who have been subjected to "psychiatric" treatment, "dietary" punishment, exile to Siberia and so on may be helped.

I am proud that Liverpool has shown its disgust for tyranny, whether it be of the left or the right.

Yours sincerely,
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September 26.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ford workers' challenge to government pay guidelines

From Mr A. G. Horsnail

Sir, Your editorial today (September 26) omits the important point that until wage rises are directly related to production improvements—and shared between makers and users—inflation will remain an endemic social disease.

On the BBC "Today" programme this morning, a Ford employee said he is not concerned with inflation. Regretfully, this comment reveals once again the lack of success by all politicians in demonstrating that wage, with production, rises are at the root of future inflation.

The inflation record of the motor industry in the United Kingdom is abysmal. Motoring costs have risen by at least 50 per cent more than the rise in all retail prices in recent years. Motoring cost rises have been brought about partially by car manufacturing strikes which have lowered output (the motor industry accounts for about 30 per cent of all lost output by strikes) and partially by a collapse in the overseas trade balance of cars—which in turn has contributed to weakening sterling exchange rates and therefore higher inflation for all of us.

If Ford is now moderately successful, is it better for the company and its employees to use profits for new job creating investment to consolidate a larger share of the United Kingdom market for cars in order to offset imports and produc-tion losses from other United King-dom strike prone manufacturers? Or, distribute its profits as larger wage rises, thereby adding to the ferment over regional and skilled pay differentials which already boils throughout the car industry?

If ever there was a case for a "rigid pay policy"—allowing for productivity improvements which Ford has agreed to negotiate—surely, this is it.

Yours faithfully,
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September 26.

From Mr S. A. Gourlay

Sir, In your leader of today (September 26) on the "Impossibility of 5 per cent" you appear to be going a long way towards taking the sterile attitude of Mr Moss Evans and the Ford workers in dismissing the 5 per cent basic wage offer as being almost contemptible because Ford made a fair profit last year. In so doing you ignore that they have made only a meagre average profit over the past five years, that last year's can hardly be judged excessive in terms of percentage in turnover and that they have huge investment commitments to meet.

You also totally ignore the potential worth of productivity bonuses in the offer which presum-ably could be considerable in view of the fact that it takes the British Ford worker just over twice as many man hours as his German counterpart to produce the same car using the same equipment.

In so doing you give the im-pression that you advocate that any company making anything re-sembling a reasonable profit should immediately distribute a substantial percentage of this in next year's salaries regardless of efficiency factors and thereby help to per-petuate the particularly British habit of recent years of paying our-selves more than is justified by our actual performance. In fact, roll on inflation and let's get back to double figures as quickly as possible!

You blame the Government for dreaming up 5 per cent on the spur of a possible election moment. You imply that Ford are caught in the vice of a Government/union battle but ignore the statements by Ford management that they also believe that their workers can and should earn substantially more by dint of their own efforts. You imply that the guidelines are in-tolerable because of their inflexi-bility.

Certainly the Government must quickly make it clear how the 5 per cent with self financing produc-tivity deals is to apply to those workers in industries, institutions and services where productivity is either difficult or impossible to measure. But if free collective bargaining, your proposed Ford style, is the alternative to govern-ment guidelines, please let us make it abundantly clear that we do not want to revert to the strong armed collecting more and yet more of their share of a rather lifeless national cake than that to which they are entitled.

Yours faithfully,
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September 26.

From Mr Edward F. Northcote

Sir, Why does the Chairman of Fords "complain" about being in the middle of a political battle? Where did he expect to be after taking such a job?

The Government have a clear political duty to control inflation. They have two weapons; either a prices and incomes policy or very much more stringent control of the money supply. The latter course would mean rising interest rates which would be a deterrent to car buyers—especially the fleet buyers on whom Fords depend so much.

In the interest of his share-holders, the Chairman of Fords should do all he can to support the Government's policy.

Yours faithfully,
EDWARD F. NORTHCOTE,
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September 26.

From Mr C. P. Morton

Sir, One must agree with many of the points made in your leader (September 26), the impossibility of 5 per cent. Unfortunately, you choose to ignore the facts of cur-rent industrial life, when you suggest that a fitter in British Leyland need not receive the same pay as one at Ford. (My deliberate transposal of your statement.) Union negotiators—both official and unofficial—have for many years used the "comparability between companies" tactics, which rarely took any account of the company's ability to meet the costs involved without passing these on—a major element in cost inflation.

The disastrous results of our pro-clivity for paying ourselves more than we earn are too well docu-mented to warrant repetition. It is therefore easy to understand why governments—of both parties—try to lay down directives to halt the upward spiral of inflation. This ten-dency to intervene will continue until a more sensible method of determining non-inflationary pay increases is accepted throughout. Such increases could of course be supplemented by profit sharing schemes, which would be preferable and more equitable to all working within an enterprise, than spurious "productivity deals".

Finally, may I risk being accused of naivety with the following sug-gestion. Could it be the case that the Prime Minister foresaw the likelihood of this very confronta-tion—and others—and believed that his rapport with the unions might enable him to achieve this objec-tive? His recent actions lend support to this theory. Whatever the outcome of an autumn election had been—a good working majority of either party or another minority government—it would have made the task impossible, which if accom-plished will bring our rate of infla-tion nearer to that of our foreign competitors.

Yours faithfully,
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Bail in Northern Ireland

From Mr Alastair D. W. Logan

Sir, Much has been written in the press recently about the working of Bail Act 1976 in relation to the law of this country. Concern has rightly been expressed about the workings of the Act. Nonetheless the situa-tion regarding bail in Northern Ireland is a lesson to us all.

The average time it takes to pro-cess a case from the time that the individual is charged until he appears in court is 14 months in Northern Ireland. There is one man who has been in Long Kesh Prison for two years and one month and still remains untried. Thus persons who are presumed by the law to be innocent until they are proven guilty are serving inordinate periods of time on remand that simply would not be tolerated in this country.

It would appear that the authori-ties in Northern Ireland are using this extensive period between-charge and trial to effect a form of internment by remand. A good example is the recent arrest of per-sons connected with Provisional Sinn Fein Northern Ireland and connected with their newspaper, Republican News.

The Provisional Sinn Fein is not a banned organisation in Northern Ireland, it is a perfectly legitimate political organisation. Nonetheless there have been frequent police raids on the offices of Republican News and the Sinn Fein offices in Belfast. These have resulted in charges being made and many of the individuals concerned have been remanded in custody. They will spend upwards of one year in prison before they are tried.

Gerry Adams, a senior member of Provisional Sinn Fein, spent seven months on remand awaiting trial. The Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland, when considering a submission by his defence at the opening of his case, concluded that there was not enough evidence even to form a prima facie case. The magistrate who committed him for trial refused bail.

Failure to consider evidence at committal proceedings is a result of a policy decision taken by the DPP in Northern Ireland to the effect that all applications for con-sideration of evidence at the stage of committal will be strenuously resisted by the Crown. As a result, most cases now appearing before the non-jury courts in Northern Ireland have been committed for trial without the necessity of con-sidering whether or not the prose-cution evidence is sufficient even to make out a prima facie case.

It can never be the fault of the defendant that it takes the DPP 14 months or more to prepare a case for trial and the system now operat-ing in Northern Ireland is such as virtually to guarantee to every defendant charged with an offence which will result in him appearing before a non-jury court that he will spend the whole of the period of time on remand in custody. A new dimension has been added to justice in Northern Ireland.

If a man can lose his liberty for a period of seven months or upwards for reasons which appear to have more relevance to his political views, it is a necessity that scrupulous fairness be used before depriving a man of his liberty before giving that man the oppor-tunity to defend himself. It is also worth bearing in mind that custody on remand for a period of 14 months is equivalent to the period of time that a man sentenced to imprisonment for 21 months could expect to serve with full remission.

Yours faithfully,
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September 25.

Electing a union leader

From Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, for Surrey East

Sir, Mr David Basnett (September 23) is understandably upset because I have apparently under-stated his personal vote to the General Secretaryship of the GMWU, in both absolute and per-centage terms. Of course he should correct my figures if they are wrong, but I think he is being over sensitive in interpreting a few words in a long speech as a deliber-ate attack on himself.

In recent weeks, I have been try-ing, together with my colleagues Willie Whitelaw and Jim Prior, to open up a public debate about the role of the trade unions, an issue which many people (not only in the Conservative Party) regard as absolutely central to the prospects of Britain's economic recovery. In this debate, we are addressing three questions. Does the claim of union leaders to speak for their members—and indeed very often for the working population as a whole—stand up to critical examina-tion? Does the political partnership between union leaders and Labour politicians mean that the former can often misbear or disregard the voice of the people and continue to pursue their own generally Socialist objectives? If not, how can we jointly develop a positive role for the trade unions so that they increase wealth and employment rather than reduce it?

Our purpose, as Willie Whitelaw said a few weeks ago, is to raise the level of debate about the unions, not to lower it. I can there-fore assure Mr Basnett that there is no question of a personal attack on him, nor any intention to mis-represent the facts.

In my speech I touched on three aspects of trade union democracy: the low turnout at union elections; the use of the block vote; and the system for contracting out of the political levy. I referred to Mr Basnett's own election in passing, as an example both of the low turnout at union elections and also of the block vote system (operating, in this case, at union rather than Congress or Conference level). I said: "... it has been estimated that Mr David Basnett was voted into office by about 150,000 votes out of more than 1 million mem-bers". Mr Basnett says that my figures are wrong, and that he won 208,000 votes out of a total mem-bership at the time of 832,000. I have no wish to misrepresent the situation and readily accept his correction.

He also asked where my figures came from. They were drawn from Mr Robert Taylor's recent book The Fifth Estate: Britain's Unions in the Seventies. Mr Taylor is, as I am sure Mr Basnett knows, the labour correspondent of The Observer. He is also a Labour Party supporter and contributor to Socialist Commentary. He is thus an experienced commentator on union matters and, from his book, I would judge him to be scrupu-lously fair. He is certainly not biased against the unions.

This is what Mr Taylor said: "The indefeasible block vote system is used in some unions, notably by the General & Muni-cipal Workers. ... Under this scheme, those who actually turn up at the branch to vote in the elec-tion can also use the votes of those who do not. As a result, the whole branch vote is thrown behind one candidate, irrespective of the minority support for others. What looked like very impressive turn-outs for the election of David Basnett ... were very misleading as a consequence. In Basnett's case he won on a minority vote with probably no more than 15 per cent of those voting in the poll." (my italics).

Since Mr Taylor did not—per-haps could not—give the actual voting figures, as he was able to do for the other major union leaders, I tried to err in Mr Basnett's favour, by suggesting a figure of 150,000 votes rather than 15 per cent of a possibly small poll.

Since my speech was about the democratic nature of union proce-dures and the extent to which their leaders represent the members rather than about specific voting figures, I drew attention to the fact that, at this year's Labour Party Conference, Mr Basnett will be able to exercise a card vote, on behalf of his members, of something in excess of 900,000, much more than twice the whole of the individual constituency membership of the Labour Party put together. Since, as I understand the position, Mr Basnett was elected in 1972 for life, he will presumably continue to do so at successive Conferences and Congresses until at least 1984.

Mr Basnett's letter leaves one other matter still unresolved. He says that, in addition to the 208,000 votes he won, over 500,000 were shared by five other candidates. Thus at least 708,000 votes were cast. If we assume that the total of 832,000 members in Mr Basnett's letter refers to members eligible to vote, then we have a total poll of over 85 per cent—higher than in a General Election and over 2½ times as big as the AUEW's greatly increased poll since it introduced the postal vote (which GMWU does not, as I understand it, yet use). This is a remarkable con-clusion.

Mr Hugh Clegg's book General Union describes the GMWU's voting procedures. Once again it may be observed that Mr Clegg is not noted for his hostility to the trade union movement. Mr Clegg writes: "Elections are conducted within each branch for branch officers ... and through the branch for full time officers, for district council and for the union Congress. The rule provides for voting either by ballot or show of hands; the latter is the customary practice. When the election is for position outside the branch, the majority by show of hands casts the voting strength of the whole financial membership of the branch. ... A regular attendance of 100 in a branch of 3,000 would be considered good. It can be seen, then, that elections are determined by a small minority".

It would be helpful if Mr Basnett could cast a little more light on all this, by telling us exactly how many members did in fact go to their branches to vote in 1972, and how the votes of those who did not do so were used. Only a few weeks ago Mr Basnett advised Mr Whitelaw to "study trade union democ-racy" and I agree that the more people who understand how it works the better. But since the procedures vary from union to union, it is diffi-cult to do so in this case without his help.

However the facts of this parti-cular matter turn out, we must see it in the context of much larger and more important questions. If the "real" vote turns out to be less than 208,000 (or, for that matter, less than 150,000) we should not make a major issue of it. If the GMWU does use a block voting system whose results give a mis-leading impression of the size of the poll, we should remember that the system was not Mr Basnett's creation and that he was fairly and convincingly elected under its rules. It is also fair to add that Mr Basnett himself has been responsible for recent changes in the structure of his union, designed to strengthen the influence of the rank and file membership on policy matters.

But all this is less important than the larger and more important questions raised in my speech, which still remain, and I am dis-appointed that no union leaders have responded to them. What is the real authority of the apparently solid union block vote? How far is the total membership consulted be-fore the block vote is exercised? How is opposition or abstention recorded? What account is taken of the fact that a large (and prob-ably growing) number of union members are not supporters of the Labour Party? Are there not grounds for increasing concern at the effects of the system of con-tracting out from the political levy, when research in the mid-sixties, and again in 1975, and yet again only a year ago shows that a signifi-cant percentage (in the case of Post Office workers in 1975, nearly 40 per cent) of trade union "Party members" do not even realize that they are paying the levy?

Even these questions are sub-sidiary to the central and most important question of all. Have the activities of the trade unions bene-fited their members by raising real wages and creating new and better real jobs? And if the answer to that is "No", then how can manage-ment, unions and government work together to develop a new union role which does help to achieve these objectives?

If we cannot get this right over the next five years, little else will matter.

Yours faithfully,
GEOFFREY HOWE,
House of Commons.
September 27.

South Bank development

From Councillor Ted Knight

Sir, Your report (September 16) on private development proposals for London's South Bank between Waterloo Bridge and Blackfriars Bridge quoted the consultant archi-tect for the would-be developers extolling the virtues of his plans, which include a 600 room hotel and over a million square feet of offices.

Lambeth Council has worked closely with local groups to plan the future of this area. The overriding needs are housing and the re-establishment of a thriving local community—not tourism or yet more speculative office development as suggested by Mr Stephenson.

These principles are embodied in the Waterloo district plan which has wide public support and which was recently approved by the Secretary of State. Unfortunately, recent statements by the GLC have only served to blur the issue.

Urgent action is needed to end the desolation which has blighted the area for so long and to improve housing conditions in this part of South London. Yes, let us have a public inquiry, and in the interest of the residents, let us have it with-out further delay Mr Shore!

Yours faithfully,
TED KNIGHT,
Leader of Lambeth Council,
Town Hall,
Brixton Hill, SW2.
September 18.

Are the British religious?

From Dr E. H. Kronheimer

Sir, The Reverend J. H. Smith (September 22), might wish to ad-dress his congregation on the text For my yolk is easy, etc. (I believe the distinction in Aramaism between my burden is light and is white is at best a rather delicate one.)

Yours faithfully,
ERWIN KRONHEIMER,
Flat C,
10 Regents Park Road, NW1.
September 22.

Suspending prison terms

From Mr Henry Blacksell

Sir, May I be allowed to set Sir Robert Lusty's mind at rest (Sep-tember 20).

Surprisingly, perhaps, but Parlia-ment has already anticipated him.

The idea as put forward by Sir Robert that there should be a power to partly suspend a prison sentence has already been given the blessing of Parliament by Section 47 of the Criminal Law Act 1977.

As is usual these days with the volume of legislation passed by Parliament the section has as yet not been implemented.

Yours faithfully,
HENRY BLACKSELL,
3 Pump Court,
Temple, EC4.
September 20.

Saving legal archives

From Mr William Gates

Sir, I would like to support Dr Watts (September 25) in all that he says about saving legal archives.

I am engaged on research into the case of Francis Forsyth and Norman Harris, two young men who were hanged for murder in 1960. I have been in touch with the Law Society, the courts and various other places to see if there is a record of the trial. Apart from a helpful and informative letter from Scotland Yard, I have drawn a blank. There appears to be no record of this trial anywhere.

Yours faithfully,
WILLIAM GATES,
909 Hood House,
Dolphin Square, SW1.
September 25.

A bird for each land?

From Mr Dillwyn Miles

Sir, Jeffery Boswall (September 18) asks which bird for Wales. This matter was discussed as Peter Scott, R. M. Lockley and I crossed St Bride's Bay to visit Ramsey in a wildly tossing sea in December 1958 and we agreed upon the Wren—a small bird for a small country and one that represents at least some features of the Welsh character.

Yours faithfully,
DILLWYN MILES,
Castle Hill,
Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire.
September 25.

Fashion
by
Prudence Glynn







Photographs by Peter Akehurst

● Right: If holding the British "flying mile" land speed record and running one of our more staid High Street menswear chains might seem to put Robert Horne into the roles of both tortoise and hare, the decision by the company to avail themselves of the talents of Marc Broyer to restyle a section of their range makes his races in life somewhat closer run. Broyer is a high-flyer, able and sensible too. *Wool unlined tweed jacket*, beige/brown £49, trousers brown/green £19.95, hat brown/green £9.95. Coming into the shops now.

● Centre: The only criticism I have heard about the admirable Take 6 enterprise comes from frustrated would-be customers for their stylish wear who simply cannot squeeze into it. Hope is at hand; sizes will be increased to accommodate the corporate man. For his part, corporate man has slimmed down of later years, part of the health kick, soaring restaurant prices and the discovery that fashion now is the body that wears it, not the artful disguise. Tweed suit with suede patches £65.95; matching or toning over-gilet £22.95; small collared putty shirt £13.95. Leather bow tie by Chris Trill, £2.25 from Howie, 138 Long Acre, WC2.

● Far right: Pointer for the future: next spring's collection from Paul Howie. Cream unlined linen suit—note the waistline. Tropical green/white print short-sleeved shirt from Howie Diffusion.

● The photographs with the Revlon article on last week's fashion page were by Brian Harris, and not by Peter Akehurst as credited.



A man's a man for all that

It has cost me no little anxiety to decide how to present the subject of handbags for men on this page. As I recall, the last occasion that the subject was essayed, the author of the piece (nor this cowering journalist) was metaphorically if not actually horsewhipped on the steps of Old Printing House Square. It availed the poor fellow nought that he had called the thing a *borsetto*; we all know that *delenda est Roma*, while the sun never sets on "Disgusted of Cheltenham". Present it though I must, because at the end of 10 days of hectic menswear viewing it is what they call a "directional feature"—and anyway the sociological implications and the historical methods of carrying essentials around are manifold. Fortunately there are no steps at Gray's Inn Road.

Ladies and gentlemen never carried much. A hanky in the case containing your visiting cards, some sal volatile; a handkerchief in your sleeve (or not, as you wish), a flask for a reviving nip after the chase. Pockets are a relatively modern invention. Hotels sent the bill round, clubs put it on the slate, servants opened the door, horses did not need a starting key nor do their drivers require payment when they are in your private employ.

The twentieth century changed all that. Ford and Morris, flats and "general helps", buses and the tube, credit cards, wads of deflated currency, cheque books—the pockets bulged and bulged. Work could be transported in a briefcase, which gave an air of busy-ness and also held the modest packed lunch, but the rest of the flotsam and jetsam was wearing out the linings of a million Burton suits. It gave distress to the little woman not clever enough to have discovered iron-on mending tape and ruined the silhouette the best tailor could devise.

Naturally, it was the Italians who introduced the handbag for men. Every *svelte*, supremely dedicated to the setting off of their own manly forms, but, most importantly, impervious to any idea that the thing might be thought effeminate, they were not about to ruin an expensive bit of Testa, or Palazzi, or Cerruti by bulking it with the litter of everyday existence.

The best bags I have seen are canvas and leather, and the nervous should try a larger size—you can always pretend you are on the way back from your fishing, or taking a pheasant to be plucked. I prefer the neat, slim sort with a wrist strap. Suitably loaded with your worldly possession it could come in handy (sorry) for bopping offensive persons. You can find the bags at Roger Saul at Mulberry Company. They have a shop in Harrods, one under JAP in South Molton Street, W1, or you can find stockists through 4A Ladbroke Gardens, London, W11 (tel 01-727 7500).

If anything were needed to confirm the prediction of this page that lined clothes are rapidly becoming a thing of the past it must be the full-page advertisement taken in a trade magazine recently by a body called the Woven Linings Federation, based, but you will have guessed, in Manchester. When, oh when, will the British textile industry leap into the present, accept the realities of changing style and public taste? Fashion *is bought first on colour, then* on design and this applies in every price bracket. If we ever see a return to formal overcoats or armour-plate dresses perhaps we will have to line them, though by then there will be some other method of firming fabrics. It is to this, the future, that the good federation should be turning its thoughts, not to printing illusory rubbish such as: "It's a fact! Today's *fashion trend is towards lined* garments."

What trend, pray? Even menswear, which traditionally lags behind womenswear because change of style has been so much slower, is moving into the unlined era. Pioneered by designers who had to manufacture through industrial workwear factories — conventional producers had a fit—and still very difficult to get made in Britain, the unlined jacket the natural response to the fe ing for more fluid clothes, r ing labour costs, central heati and a generally higher standa of warm living.

Marc Broyer's new collecti for Hornes emphasizes this i portant trend. Peel and Co, Punch Croft, New Ash Gree Kent (tel Ash Green 87388 are a design house with a ni solution to what can be an ug inside. They take the facing the jacket extraordinarily wi and swing it right up into t armhole. The top of the back faced too, so that the jack retains a neat profile.

An alternative to not lining to reverse, and I particular liked the cotton pique or towe ing to cotton poplin combin tions of Otros Sports. This fir (52 South Molton Street, W tel 629 3801) also produc some stunning shirts in she organdie—but then t designer, Stephen King, is n only very talented but, mo important in a very tough ma ket, consistently good.

Another way in which th menswear world has tailed th female is in the formation breakaway groups when comes to showing to the marke place. Hived off this time fro the might of the MAB (Men wear Association of Gre Britain) showing at Earls Cour 18 of our brightest and bes bloomed at the Horticultura Hall, Vincent Square, under the green fingers of Ms Lyn Franks, a lady of amazin energy committed to th furthering of the fashion indu try. She reckons, and she i probably right, that it will tak *four seasons to establish th* alternative venue as the crucia spot for buyers to checkinto Some of her transplants wil doubtless wither on the way bu I sincerely hope that she blossoms and flourishes in he effort.

Directions

Trousers. Here again the deli cate should avert their monocle because the most interestin item can only be called th dropped crotch. Not th wearer's, you understand, bu that of the garment. Afte what seems like years o trousers getting tighter an tighter and indeed their owner risking pneumonia by sitting i the bath in them to achiev the required hang (rather lik the Empire beauties in thei muslins after Waterloo) tw years ago the pleat-front trou sers took over. Waists wer built up, belts replaced braces an altogether more slack loo emerged from the British ar colleges. But the basic measure ment from the centre back o the waist round underneath t the centre waist in front wa more or less the same as thos not in the pneumonia set ha always worn.

Now, designer Paul Howi has found that casual pants i soft linen weaves which jou not all that much above th knee are selling. Another nic sociological point? I havi always thought that very tigh trousers were a sign of in security in the mind of th wearer as to just *how* masculine he is, or wants to be. The West threatened by so many aggres sive emergent races, adopted them. But what, for instance, about the Turks, their reputation, and their baggy pants?

Jackets. Men can still hide their broadening girth under the comfort of the conventional jacket, but it ought to have only two buttons, even when double-breasted. *Shirts* have the smallest, roundest collars yet — Peter-Pan style looks Brobdingnagian by now. *Ties* are pencil slim bows in leather (Howie at 138 Long Acre, WC2), giant butterfly bows, or leather strings, or woolly slims.

Knits are getting baggier, and for *macs* you can forget the Raymond Chandler look. I loved a silk and wool *fabric* (Irish) used by Hardwear Clothing Co (30 Great Portland Street, London, W1, tel 01-637 2535).

New shops for menswear

● Uomo Regine, 43 New Bond Street, W1. The best in Italian menswear—Basile, Complice, Cerruti, Giorgia Armani *et al.*

● Tobias Ltd, at 32 Savile Row, London, with a "stop-over" fitting service for through-traffic executives.

● Anthony Duschell, 7 Newburgh Street, London, W1. Strong on leather and suede.

● Lloyd-Jennings, 54-56 Neal Street, Covent Garden, WC2. A new look for shoes.

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Aspelia, St. Albans

Overlooking glorious St. Albans Cathedral, you'll find this superb Greek restaurant in which authentic Greek dishes are served in elegant and comfortable surroundings. Specially recommended are Afelia (pork simmered in wine and spices) and mezé – the Greek national dish. Wines are French, German, Italian – and Greek. 17 Heritage Close, St. Albans, Hertfordshire. Tel: St. Albans 66067.

Trattoria Pinocchio, Tring

Enjoy an extensive Italian menu in a charming Hertfordshire country town. Try, for instance, trota bretone (trout stuffed with mushrooms, prawns, cucumber and lemon), or escalope caprice (veal escalope with prawns, mushrooms and white wine sauce and cream). 56/7 High Street, Tring, Hertfordshire. Reservations on: Tring 4210.

Schulers, Southend-on-Sea

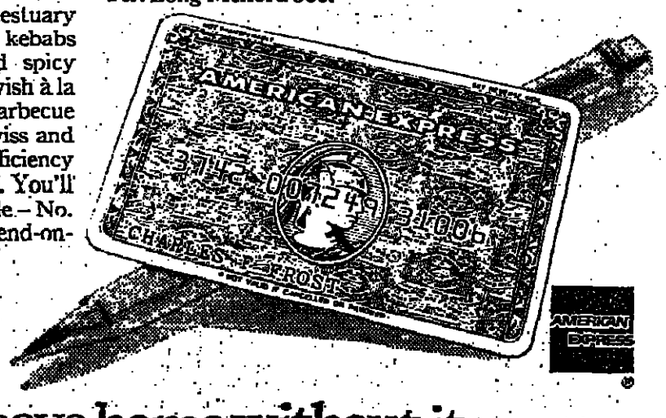
You can watch the boats go by on the estuary while you enjoy homemade mushroom soup, kebabs (there's a barbecue on the premises), and spicy ratatouille. For lunch and dinner, there's a lavish à la carte menu, but on Sundays they serve a set barbecue lunch with coffee included. Mr Schuler is Swiss and has been running his restaurant with Swiss efficiency and flair since 1971. It is known far and wide. You'll find it in the quieter part of Eastern Esplanade – No. 161. Make sure of your table first on Southend-on-Sea (Essex) 610172.

The Crown House, Nr. Saffron Walden

Apéritifs are served amid Mediterranean greenery in the Conservatory Bar. The mouth-watering French dishes in the quiet, tasteful restaurant are complemented by a well-chosen wine list. At Great Chesterford, Nr. Saffron Walden, Essex – within easy reach of Cambridge. Telephone: Great Chesterford 515.

The Crown Inn, Long Melford

An attractive old English hostelry dating back to the 17th century. With its shutters and awnings, it looks most inviting – and you won't be disappointed. Inside there are beams, a Tudor fireplace, candles and lamps, and the restaurant looks out on a walled cottage garden. The cuisine is mainly English, with a touch of sophistication, and there's a choice of 48 French wines. Long Melford, Sudbury, Suffolk. Tel: Long Melford 366.



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Napoleonic war medals fetch record £14,000

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Medals awarded to Lieutenant-General Sir John Rolt for his achievements during the *Napoleonic wars became* the most expensive group of medals ever sold at auction when they fetched £14,000 (*estimate* £7,000 to £8,000) at Sotheby's yesterday. They were bought anonymously; the highest *price previously* recorded was £12,000 in 1974, also for a Peninsular group.

Sir John's medals included the Order of the Bath, the Guelphic Order of Hanover, the Peninsular *Gold Cross*, the small gold medal for Vittoria, the Military General Service Medal for 1793, the Portuguese *Military Order of* the Tower and the Sword, and the Turkish Sultan's Gold Medal. After spectacular *military* achievements he died near Exeter in 1856.

Lord Nicholson's field marshal's baton, covered in maroon velvet studded with 18 crowned golden lions passant and surmounted by a golden St George slaying the dragon made £7,000 (estimate £2,500 to £3,500) to Spink's. Batons are rarely on the market but this price beats that of Lord Lucan, of charge of the Light Brigade fame, which sold for £3,500 recently.

The sale of medals made £104,619 with 3 per cent unsold, the highest total achieved by Sotheby's in the field. An Order of the Garter, a silver breast star, dating from about 1800-1810 fetched £3,400 (estimate £2,000 to £2,500). *It was brought to Sotheby's when they were giving advice* to the public at Longleat.

At Christie's yesterday a jewel sale made £329,445 with less than 1 per cent unsold. The new season seems to have demonstrated a strong demand for jewels, always sought after when the economic outlook is dark.

Music paid £33,000 (estimate £30,000 to £35,000) for a 5.62 carat *diamond single-stone ring*. A 6.35 carat sapphire ring made £27,000 (estimate £12,000 to £14,000) to S. H. *Harris and an antique* diamond tiara with 11 detachable clusters made £22,000 (estimate *£12,000 to £14,000*) to Holburn Diamonds.

King and Chasemore, of Pulborough, held a furniture sale totalling £41,000 with 13 per cent unsold. They were offering a group of seventeenth and eighteenth-century furniture collected by Robert W. Symonds, the furniture historian, for a Mr and Mrs Turner.

A Charles I draw-leaf refectory table made £3,500 (estimate £1,400 to £2,400) to Jellinek, and a late seventeenth-century oak "court" cupboard, carved and dated 1687, made £3,400 (estimate £2,400 to £4,000) to Roberts.

Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York held their first sale of modern Chinese paintings on Tuesday, *realizing a total of* £11,425 with 35 out of 124 lots unsold.

The Sotheby New York sale of Chinese works of art and paintings on Tuesday made £44,781 with 24 out of 140 lots unsold. The first session of Christie's important silver sale in New York yesterday made £114,796 with 3 per cent unsold. A Dutch beaker of 1707 weighing 7oz, its tapering sides engraved with a long inscription, made $16,500 (estimate $5,000-$7,000) or £8,418.

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CLARENCE HOUSE
September 27: Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother this afternoon opened Alastrean House, the MacRobert Trusts' Leave Centre for the Royal Air Force, at Tarland, near Aboyne, Aberdeenshire.
The Lady Elizabeth Basset was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 27: The Duchess of Gloucester was present at a Fashion Show organized by the Soroptimists International of Buxton and District in aid of the Opera House Appeal in Buxton this evening.
Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.
Miss Susanna Cryer was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 27: The Duke of Kent this evening attended a Reception held in honour of His Highness the Sultan of Brunei and His Highness Seri Begawan Sultan at Lancaster House.
Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN was in attendance.
The Duchess of Kent today opened the *new development of the* Tunbridge Wells Council of Service Housing Society at Sherborne Close.
Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs Alan Henderson.

The annual presidential inauguration of the Hotel, Catering and Institutional Management Association was *held* yesterday in the crypt of Guildhall, London. The new president, Mr R. Brett, was host *for the evening*.

Birthdays today

Sir Thomas Barnard, 85; the Duke of Buccleuch, 55; Lord Cockfield, 62; Lord Layton, 66; the Earl of Onslow, 72; the Earl of Rosse, 72; Mr Michael Somes, 61; Sir Thomas Spenser-Wilkinson, 79.

Royal Ballet dancer ill

Merle Park has cancelled her appearances with the Royal Ballet after an operation, and will be replaced by Sandra Conley as Empress Elisabeth in the performances of *Mayerling* on October 20 and November 6. Her role *in Serenade*, on October 21 and 30 and November 8, will be taken by Lesley Collier.

Memorial to soldiers

An appeal launched by Lord De L'Isle in March seeking funds for a memorial in the crypt of St Paul's Cathedral to commemorate great soldiers of the Second World War has reached its target of £35,000. *It is hoped that it* will be ready for dedication in the autumn of next year.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr N. G. I. Bosanquet and Miss P. M.-R. MacLeod
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr and *Mrs David Bosanquet*, of Holbrook Park, Horsham, Sussex, and Mary-Rose (Kipper), youngest daughter *of Sir John and Lady MacLeod*, of Turkdean Manor, Turkdean, Northleach, Gloucestershire.

Mr S. J. Gaul and Miss A. W. Loveridge
The engagement is announced between Simon, only son of Mr John Gaul, of Ta'xbiex, Malta, and Mrs Ann Gaul, of Atherstone Mews, London, SW7, and Amanda, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Loveridge, of The White *House, Fitzjohn's Avenue*, Hampstead, NW3.

Mr W. R. H. Griffith-Jones and Miss M. E. Raphael
The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs L. R. Griffith-Jones, of Redheugh House, Glenogil, Angus, and Marguerite, daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Henri Raphael.

***Mr G. R. W. Paisley* and Miss A. G. Hickling**
The engagement is announced between *Graeme, son of Mr and* Mrs K. Paisley, of Paddocks Farm, Hawkhurst, Kent, and Anna Gale, daughter of Mr and *Mrs E. P.* Hickling, Helmons, West Hanningfield, Essex.

Mr R. P. Taylor and Miss M. L. Harington
The engagement is announced between Robin, youngest son of Major and Mrs Philip Pagan Taylor, of Rohais Manor, Guernsey, *and Louisa*, daughter of Mr and Mrs Vernon Harington, of Whitbourne, Worcestershire.

Luncheon

Guild of Professional Toastmasters
Commissioner Catherine Bramwell-Booth, granddaughter of the founder of the Salvation Army, was given an award as the best speaker of the year by the Guild of *Professional Toastmasters* at a luncheon held at 46 Mount Street, Berkeley Square, yesterday. *Mr Ivor Spencer, president, presided*, accompanied by Mrs Spencer. Those present included: Lady Duke, Mr Patrick Forbes, Colonel Oliver Booth, Major Dora Booth, Major John Bate, Mr Louis Kirby, Mr Jeremy Deedes, Miss Anne Morrow, Miss Rowanne Pasco, Miss Margaret Alexander, Mr and Mrs John Barker, Mr Steven Holmes, Miss Sandra Harris, Mr H. Moss, Mr W. Payne and Mr H. Rabin (executive members of the guild) and their ladies.

Dinners

Basketmakers' Company
The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the *Sheriffs and Mrs Brown*, attended the anniversary dinner of the Basketmakers' Company held yesterday at the Mansion House to commemorate the formation of the company in 1569. The Prime Warden, Mr Laurence Swain, presided and the other speakers were the Lord Mayor, Mr Ronald Bartle, the Dean of Westminster and Judge Abdela. Among those present were: Lord Cornwallis, Sir Alec and Lady Rose, Sir William and Lady Harris, Lieutenant-Colonel A. Colin Cole (*Assistant and Master of Scriveners' Company* and Windsor Herald), Sir Terence Heiser (Deputy Master of Tinplate Workers Company), Mr and Mrs Frederick Leistikow, Mr Norman Frizzell, Major-General and Mrs Turpin, the Deputy Town Clerk and Mr Lawrence Bains.

Wheelwrights' Company
At a meeting held at Tallow Chandlers' Hall yesterday the Court of the *Wheelwrights' Company* elected Mr J. B. Hepworth as Master, Mr D. G. Humphreys as Upper Warden and Mr W. J. Dymott as Renter Warden for the ensuing year. Afterwards a dinner was held at which the *present* Master, Mr F. C. Schilling, presided. Cdr D. Ellin, RN, and Mr R. F. Barnes also spoke.

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wales, as patron, attends reception for joint services *expedition to the Chagos* Archipelago, Indian Ocean, Williams and Glyn's Bank, Whitehall, 7; *attends International* Federation of Cotton and Allied Textile Industries' banquet, Grosvenor House Hotel, 7.45.
The Duke of Gloucester, as colonel-in-chief, visits Royal Pioneer Corps, Bicester, 10.30.
The Duchess of Kent, as patron, attends charity dinner and auction in aid of Spastics Society, Hyde Park Hotel, 8.05.
Prince and Princess Michael of Kent attend reception in Middle Temple given by sponsors and organizers of "Operation Drake" expedition, 6.30.
Lectures: Romanticism versus Classicism (6): Burne-Jones, Tate Gallery, 1. Giambologna, *sculptor to the Medici, Victoria* and Albert Museum, 1.15.
Walks: A London Village, Hampstead, *meet Hampstead station*, 11. Discovering London, Soho, meet Embankment station, 7.30.
Recitals: Professor Gordon Phillips, organ, All Hallows-by-the-Tower, 12.15 and 1.15. Piano and violin, St Mary-le-Bow, 1.05. The Locrian Street Quartet, St Bartholomew-the-Great, 1.10. Song recital St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate, 1.10.
Talks: The City in Plague and Fire, St Botolph's, Aldgate, 1. Three Christian Diggers, Baron von Hugel, St Olave's, Hart Street, 1.05.

Plan for new church unity body

By Our Religious Affairs Correspondent

A new organization to promote Christian unity in England is suggested today in the final report of the Churches' Unity Commission. It would negotiate the terms of an agreed "covenant" by means of which the Church of England, the Methodist Church, the United Reformed Church, the Churches of Christ, and the Moravian Church would commit themselves to a course of convergence.

The commission included those five churches and three others that have not been able to accept the idea of such a covenant. They are the Baptist Union, the Roman *Catholic Church, and the Congregational* Federation.

The Commission proposes that *they should have consultant status* on the new body, which would be called the Churches' Council for Covenanting in England.

Four of the five participating churches have expressed reservations or special conditions for the terms of a covenant, and the council would seek to reconcile those. The commission, in winding itself up, said that it thought the new council should be established by November.

University news

Oxford
Clinical medical scholarships: Hobson *memorial scholarships*, Christine J. Ingnert and C. H. V. Tomson, scholars of Trinity Hall, Cambridge; Gustav Mann scholarship, Raju Kapoor, scholar of University College.

Memorial service

Miss T. Karsavina
A memorial service for Miss Tamara Karsavina was held yesterday at St Martin-in-the-Fields. Prebendary Austen Williams officiated, assisted by the Rev Michael Hurst-Bannister and the Rev John Arrowsmith. Sir John Gielgud read from Psalm 150 and Mme Irina Baronova and Sir Frederick Ashton, OM, gave addresses. *Mr Anton Dolin* read a tribute from Mr Yehudi Menuhin. Among others present were: *Mr and Mrs Nikita Bruce (son and daughter-in-law)*, Mr Nicholas Bruce and Miss Caroline Bruce (grandchildren), Lady Bruce, Miss Beryl Bruce, *Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs* Peter Clifton, Pamela Lady Glenconnor, Mrs G. Wrottesley.

Lady St Just, Lady Gladwyn, the Hon Mrs Luke Asquith, the Hon Kensington Davison (representing Friends of Covent Garden), Eleanor Lady Campbell-Orde, Sir Michael Duff, Sir Anthony Hooper, Major-General Sir Allan and Lady Adair, Lady (*Edgar*) *Bonham-Carter*, Dame Marie Rambert (Ballet Rambert), Dame Alicia Markova, Mr Philip Gammon, Mr Felix Schmidt, Mr Christopher Stokes, Miss Dolly Watkins, Miss Wendy Toye, Miss Phyllis Bedells, Miss Jean Bedells, Miss Pamela May, Mr Ronald Rynd, Miss Annette Page, Miss Antoinette Sibley, Miss Monica Mason, *Miss Margaret Rawlings*, *Mr Keith* Lester, Mr John Gilpin, Miss Lilian de Arias, Miss Maryon Lane, Miss Merle Park, Mr Donald MacLeary, Miss Rosalind Eyre, Mr Michael Somes, Mr Leslie Edwards, Mr David Wall, Miss Alfreda Thorogood, Mr Richard Buckle, Mrs Nicholas Ridley.

Mr Norman Morrice and Mr Leslie Edwards (*Royal Ballet*), Mr Peter Wright (Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet), Mr John Tooley (*Royal Opera House*), Mr G. A. Weiss (London Festival Ballet), Mr Robin Duff (Scottish Ballet), Mr John Field, Mr John Saunders and Miss Anne Heaton (Royal Academy of Dancing), Mr James Monahan (Royal Ballet School), Miss Margaret Rankin (Vic-Wells Association), Mrs Angela Ellis (Rambert School of Ballet), Mr George Morris (Greater London Arts Association), Mrs C. Carter (Pavlova Society), Miss Doris Barry, Mme Yvette Chauviré (*Paris Opera*), Mr David Palmer (Australian Ballet), Mrs Jane Nicholas (Arts Council), Miss Jane Edgeworth (British Council), Mr Peter Bennett (British Actors' Equity Association) and Mrs Bennett, Mr Peter Williams and Miss Margaret Lawford (Dancers' Resettlement Fund), Miss Valerie Taylor (Royal Academy of Dancing *College*), *Miss Diana Barker (Cecchetti* Society and Anthorne School), Miss Kathleen Gordon and Mrs T. Holliday (Royal Academy of Dancing Guild of Licentiates), Mr Robin Howard (London Contemporary Dance Company), Mrs M. J. Jack and Mr V. B. Powell (Arts Educational Schools), Mr Alexander Schouvaloff (British Theatre *Museum and Mrs Schouvaloff*, Miss Rice Bellairs (Guildford School of Acting), Mr Michael Broderick and Mr Arthur Samuel (London Ballet Circle), Miss Nesta Brooking (Brooking School), Miss Felicity Gray and Miss E. A. Tenkyns (Elmhurst Ballet School), Miss H. Prisior, Miss Jacqueline Ferguson and Mrs Molly Webb (London College of Dance and *Drama*), *Miss Betty Hassall (Hammond* School), Miss Molly Lake and Mr Travis Kemp (London School of Contemporary Dance), Miss Valerie Adams (Royal Ballet School Teacher Training *Course*), *Miss Belinda Wright*, Mr Yelko Yuresha, Mr David Palmer, Mr Dudley Scholle, Miss Penelope Spencer, Miss Sally Gilmour, Miss Rachel Cameron, Mr Mark Silver, Mr Stephen Sefferias, Mr J. Hosking, Mr D. Drew, Mr A. Page, Mr Kieron Tunney, Mr John Stafford-Moule, Mr Stephen Sheriff, Mr R. Jude, Mr Ross *MacGibbon*, Mr Angus Macnaughten, Mr and Mrs Gordon Latta, Mr T. D. Michael Rees (Byron Society), Miss Sylvia Lockwood ("Dancing Times"), Mr John Toulley, Mr Mischa de la Motte, Mr and Mrs G. Gregory, Mr Cyril Wilds (British Music Hall Society), Miss Betty Algar, Mr Ronald Emblem, Mr Bruce Hunter (David *Higham Associates*), Mr A. A. Martin (*Royal* Society of Literature), Mr Ronald Davies ("Classical Music"), Mr David Dougill ("The Sunday Times"), Mr Bob Lockyer, Mr Graham Gauld and Mr Ian Cotterell (BBC), Mr and Mrs Francis Tufton, Miss Inoke Krzeczunowicz and Mr Brian Peters (Wig Creations).

OBITUARY

MR ALAN LOWNDES
Painter of Northern life

Mr Alan Lowndes, who died *on September 22 at the age of* 57, was a largely self-taught artist known above all for his shrewd and humorous paintings of Mancunian life in streets, fairgrounds and pubs. Unlike Lowry, whom he knew and was *liable* to be linked with for obvious reasons, he was highly gregarious, and saw his neighbours with affection as well as irony. John Berger once forecast that he would become Britain's first professional working-class painter, and a *number of* his pictures feature the magnificent red brick railway viaduct outside Stockport station, where his father worked as a clerk. Characteristically, Lowndes was embarrassed by this title, claiming that his was in fact the one non-working-class family in their street.

Born on February 23, 1921, he left school at 14 to be apprenticed to a decorator. He was called up in the Second World War and served as an RASC draughtsman in the Middle East and Italy, notably at the headquarters of 2 NZ Division, where he worked on photo-interpretation. The Army Educational Corps then sent him to art school in Florence, and after demobilization he continued as a *part-time student* of Emanuel Levy in Stockport. Meantime he worked primarily as a textile designer, renting a 5 shilling-a-week room off Stockport market where he painted some of his earliest oils using sticks and a knife for lack of brushes. The same building, he claimed, housed a witches' coven.

In the winter of 1949-50 he wandered into the newly-founded Crane Kalman gallery in central Manchester, where his acute attention to the pictures so struck the owner that he became one of the gallery's artists. From then on he was able to live—not always affluently—by his work, which appealed particularly to collectors from the theatre, film and TV world. Thus his earliest *purchasers included* Sydney Bernstein and John Boulting, while Charles Laughton and Elsa Lanchester befriended him soon after and the industrialist Thomas Crabtree helped support him for some years. *Coronation Street* is said to owe its title to that of one *of his* paintings.

By 1959, when he became a guest at the Michel Karolyi Foundation in Vence, he had already *felt the need to break* away from the North and was increasingly working in St Ives. The Vence experience introduced him to his wife, Valerie, *then working* as Countess Karolyi's secretary, and they were married that October at a memorable *ceremony in Paris*, with the stuttering bridegroom in his (fire-scorched) painting clothes.

Thereafter the couple settled in St Ives, where their three children were all born. Here Lowndes took some pleasure in *being the odd* man out among the local constructivists and constructionists, though he established *close friendships* with Terry Frost and the poet, W. S. Graham. His own St Ives pictures are closer to the tradition of Alfred Wallis and Christopher Wood.

In 1970 the family moved to Gloucestershire, where he continued to paint as before, though in greater isolation. This was followed in 1972 by sizable *retrospectives* at the Crane Kalman gallery in London and at the Stockport City Art *Gallery*. Last year *his* health broke down, but he made a good recovery, encouraged by a further small retrospective at the Annex Gallery in Wimbledon, and was working hard for a one-man show of West Country paintings at Longleat when he unexpectedly died.

DR DOUGLAS FOX

Sir David Willcocks writes:

Dr Douglas Fox, OBE, FRCO, FRCM, died on September 23, at the age of 85. His death has robbed the musical profession of one of its most loved and respected members. Those who knew Douglas Fox through*out his long life* witnessed the exciting development of a young musician of quite exceptional talent and promise, and the subsequent triumph of a man of indomitable courage over cruel tragedy.

The boy, who held the first music scholarship offered at Clifton, and who was later elected to organ scholarships at the Royal College of Music and at Keble College, Oxford, was *clearly destined for* a brilliant career. It might have been as an organist or as a concert pianist; for as an organist he won the Sawyer Prize (ARCO), La Fontaine Prize (FRCO), and Extemporization Prize at the RCM; and as a pianist he won the Challen Gold Medal at the RCM.

In these early years he not only won honours: he won also the affection and deep respect of Parry, Stanford, Parratt and Sharpe at the RCM, and of Allen at Oxford, and he gained the admiration and friendship of his contemporaries who included Herbert Howells and *Walter Stanton*. The future seemed exciting for this very gifted Oxford undergraduate until the Great War brought tragedy and human suffering.

It was on August 27, 1917, that Douglas Fox was severely wounded. One can look in vain *for any trace of bitterness*, or of despair, or of self-pity, in the letter which he wrote with his left hand eight days later. "... on the 28th they took my arm (right) off just above the elbow. Apparently they consulted very carefully before *doing it*, but it seems to have been hopelessly shattered, and they thought I probably should not have lived if they had left it...." The musical world was *deeply shocked* at the news, and letters of sympathy and encouragement poured in to his family. It was Hugh Allen, above all, who offered practical help and advice, correctly forecasting that Douglas would "come up on the right side of this disaster".

Despite his physical handicap Douglas Fox managed to build up a sizable repertoire for organ and piano recitals which he gave in all parts of the country and for the BBC. As might have been expected he gave particularly memorable performances of the Ravel Concerto for the Left Hand.

But it was as Director of Music at Bradfield College (1918-30) and Clifton College (1931-57) that "Duggie" (as he was affectionately known to *generations of schoolboys*) made a distinguished contribution to musical education in this country. He *became one of the great* teachers of his day, not only producing a steady stream of successful candidates for scholarships at the Universities and Colleges of Music, but opening the doors of musical appreciation to an even larger number of boys, who responded to his infectious, at times, eccentric, enthusiasm. He was successively *President of the Music* Masters Association (1931) and of the Incorporated Society of Musicians (1957-58).

Before his final retirement he became Organist of Great St Mary's Church, Cambridge (1957-63), and made a valuable *contribution to music* in the city and university. His services to music were recognized by his being made OBE in 1958; by an honorary Doctorate of Music at Bristol University in 1966 (his doctorate at Edinburgh in 1938 was by examination) and Fellowship of the Royal College of Music in 1973.

DR KENNETH BRYN THOMAS

Dr Kenneth Bryn Thomas, Consultant Anaesthetist, Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, died on September 22.

He was born and brought up in Sutton, Surrey, of Welsh parents, who returned to Swansea a year prior to his entering King's College, London University. He proceeded to Charing Cross Hospital for clinical medical studies and house appointments. Entering the EMS at the outbreak of war, he joined the RAFVR Medical Service in 1941 as an anaesthetist, ending his *service as a Squadron Leader in* Singapore in 1947. He was appointed as a Consultant Anaesthetist to the Royal Berkshire Hospital in 1948 where he had served ever since.

He was an esteemed international medical historian, with an especial interest *in the history* of anaesthesia and anaesthetic apparatus, and had lectured extensively in Australia as well as the United States of *America on these topics*. He had been elected an Honorary Fellow of the Faculty of Anaesthetists of the Royal Australian College of Surgeons following a lecture tour there in 1977, and was due to embark on a *further* North American tour next month.

He had published many articles on historical subjects, the most memorable of which is a book on *The Development of Anaesthetic Apparatus* which is based on the Charles King Collection of the Association of Anaesthesia. He also wrote a book on *Curare, its History and Usage*, published in 1964, and on *James Douglas of The Pouch and his Pupil, William Hunter* (1964).

He was a former president of the British Society for the History of Medicine, of the historical section of the Royal *Society of Medicine, and of the* Osler Society. In addition, he was a member of the Council of the Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and of the Anaesthetic section of the Royal Society of Medicine.

MR FRANCIS STEER
Major work in archives

Mr Francis *William* Steer, FSA, FRHistS, who died on September 23 at the age of 56, had been Maltravers Herald Extraordinary since 1972. He *was Archivist and Librarian* to the late and the present Duke of Norfolk since 1956, Archivist to New College, *Oxford, since* 1965 and to the College of Arms from 1965 to 1977, and Librarian of Chichester Cathedral.

His early associations were with Essex, where he was born at Ashington on August 10, 1912, and was educated at Southend High School and privately. After a spell in the City, to which in another quite different way, he was to return *in later life, Francis* Steer joined the staff of the Essex County Record Office and was Assistant Archivist from 1946 to 1953. In the latter year he was appointed County Archivist of East and West Sussex, holding the double appointment until 1959. The growing burden was then divided, Steer continuing as County Archivist of West Sussex till 1969, residing at Chichester, where he was also Archivist to the Bishop and *Dean and Chapter from 1953* to 1969.

He became a leader of the new profession of local archivist and his ceaseless labours issued in a long series of published and unpublished catalogues, articles and learned papers all tending to evidence his growing reputation as a painstaking and capable interpreter *of record* material which had been foreshadowed by his election as a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries *in* 1951. He was Editor of the Sussex Archaeological Society's Collections from 1973 to 1977.

In 1969 he retired from his post as County Archivist in order to concentrate his efforts on the Archives and Library at *Arundel Castle* where the Duke of Norfolk had employed him since 1956, and on the work of the Marc Fitch Fund, a charitable trust concerned to promote scholarship, of which he was Honorary Secretary from 1956 to 1977, and which his labours helped to build up into the valuable organization which it has become. These *associations* and his *interest* in heraldry led on to his close and valued association with the College of Arms, when he *inaugurated* a catalogue of the manuscripts, financed by the Marc Fitch Fund. In the same years he spent much time at New College working on the archives, of which his catalogue was published in 1974.

He also *found* time as a Citizen and Scrivener of London to contribute to his Company's knowledge of its anciency, publishing in 1968 an analysis of and commentary upon the Scriveners "Common Paper", 1357-1628, and because, instinctively *to him, it was good and* right that what was old and well-established should not be ignored in the rush of the present, the things of "hoar antiquity" were of solace to him and hours spent in research and professional occupation were matched in this respect by time cheerfully passed, for example, among his fellow Parish Clerks of London, to which *old City* fraternity he was most happy to belong, sharing in its ceremonies *fully* and with knowledge of their significance, representing St Benet, Paul's Wharf, because he liked to recall that there, opposite the College of Arms, heralds had been interred and monuments to them remained.

For *many Steer was* the archetype of the learned, laborious archivist, always help*ful to scholars and students* and valued as a friend and confidential adviser of great wisdom and experience both on these and many other matters which came his way; for others his reputation as an academic was enhanced by the cheerfulness of his *conversation at table and* the persuasive manner in which he assumed with considerable *courtesy that those present*, despite their disclaimers, had a knowledge of local and national history and other subjects peculiarly his own which was as profound as his.

Francis Steer was a modest but not a remote man, his daily engagement in antiquarian study and diligent pursuit of his particular interests (and he was very hard *working*, *and* determinedly carried on despite indifferent health) never preventing the making and keeping of friendships. There are many to whom he endeared himself as companion and scholar who will regard his leaving them as too early a deprivation.

He married, in 1934, Mabel Alice Holdstock who survives him.

Brigadier Hilary Leonard Lewis CBE, who died on *September 20* at the age of 71, was Director of Signals, Pakistan, 1948-50. He saw much service in the Second World War, was at Shape in 1951-52 and was on active service in Malaya from 1952 to 1960.

Church news

Appointments
The Rev R. J. Abraham, Vicar of Bickershaw, diocese of Liverpool, to be Rector of the Kirkby Laythorpe group of parishes, diocese of Lincoln.
The Rev H. B. S. Cartwright, Chaplain in the diocese of Cyprus and The Gulf, to be Vicar of Ingrow with Hainworth, diocese of Bradford.
The Rev H. B. Davies, Rector of Lowick with Sudborough and Slipton, diocese of Peterborough, to *be also* priest-in-charge of Islip.
The Rev M. E. Grant, Team Vicar of Earlsfield in Grantham Team Ministry, diocese of Lincoln, to be priest-in-charge of St Ninian's, Invergordon, diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness.
The Rev B. M. Harris, Vicar of St James's, West Bromwich, diocese of Lichfield, to be Vicar of *All Saints'*, Sedgley, same diocese.
The Rev L. R. Hurrell, Vicar of Porthleven and Rural Dean of Kerrier, diocese of Truro, to be also priest-in-charge of Sithney.
The Rev C. S. Jerome, priest-in-charge of Holywell and Needingworth, and diocesan director of Christian *stewardship, diocese of Ely, to be Vicar* of Impington, same diocese (continuing as director of Christian stewardship).
The Rev B. M. M. O'Connor, secretary of Oxford Diocesan Pastoral Committee, to be priest-in-charge of Farnham Royal, same diocese.
The Rev R. Williams, Chaplain at *W. R. Tuson College, Preston, diocese* of Blackburn, to be Vicar of St Catherine's, Burnley, same diocese.

Diocese of Carlisle
The Rev K. J. Cove, Rural Dean and Vicar of Appleby-in-Westmorland, to be Vicar of Ambleside with Brathay.
The Rev T. C. Lodgard, Vicar of Cartmel and honorary canon of Carlisle Cathedral, to be priest-in-charge of Warcop group of parishes.
The Rev J. Woolcock, curate of St *Matthew's, Barrow-in-Furness*, to be Rector of Distington.

Diocese of Coventry
The Rev J. A. F. Galbraith, Chaplain to London University, diocese of London, to be Rector of Holy Trinity with St Matthew, Southwark.
The Rev D. K. R. Gerrard, Vicar of *St Paul's, Newington, to be Vicar* of St Mark's, Surbiton.
The Rev J. R. Hall, curate of St John the Divine Kennington, to be parish priest of All Saints', South Wimbledon.
The Rev S. H. Maslen, Team Vicar of St Mary Lambeth, to be Vicar of St Bartholomew's, Horley.

Diocese of St Albans
The Rev J. E. Bluck, priest-in-charge of Halford and Alderminster, *to be Rural Dean of Shipston-on-Stour*.
The Rev P. J. Wyatt, Rector of Kabwe and the North Midlands, diocese of Central Zambia, to be priest-in-charge of Ettington.

Diocese of Sheffield
The Rev D. R. Croad, south-west area secretary of Church Pastoral Aid Society, to be Vicar of Bovingdon, Hemel Hempstead.
The Rev D. H. Gummer, Vicar of East Goscote, diocese of Leicester, *to be Vicar of St Anne's, Luton*.
The Rev R. G. Hubbard, Vicar of St Peter's, Broadwater, Stevenage, to be Vicar of Flitwick, Bedford.
The Rev G. E. Marshall, Vicar of St Hugh's, Chells, Stevenage, to be priest-in-charge of Walkern, Stevenage.
The Rev P. J. Swindells, Vicar of All Saints', Pin Green, Stevenage, to be Rector of Clophill, Bedford.
The Rev A. M. G. Wells, to be curate of Christ Church, Orpington, diocese of Rochester, to be priest-in-charge of Odell and Pavenham, *Bedford*.

Diocese of Southwark
The Rev C. P. Abbott, Vicar of *Southway*, Plymouth, diocese of Exeter to be Vicar of Whitgift with Adlingfleet and Eastoft.
The C. E. Hart, curate of Christ Church, Ware, diocese of St Albans, to be Team Vicar, Sheffield Manor Team Ministry.

Resignations
The Rev G. R. Aylen, Vicar of All Saints', Petham with St Bartholomew's, Waltham and St Mary's, Lower Hardres with St Mary's, Nackington, diocese of *Canterbury*, on November 30.
The Rev M. G. Bryant, Vicar of Northaw, Potters Bar, diocese of St Albans, on September 30.
The Rev L. Copestake, Vicar of Egton-cum-Newland, diocese of Carlisle.
Canon J. R. Deppen, priest-in-charge *of Woburn and Battlesden with* Pottesgrove, diocese of St Albans, on December 31.
Canon J. H. Dominey, Vicar of Biggleswade, diocese of St Albans.
The Rev S. W. Floyd, Rector of Wilsford with Kelby Chapel, diocese of Lincoln, on January 1.
The Rev R. H. C. Hall, priest-in-charge of Watermillock, diocese of Carlisle, on September 30.
Canon R. M. Jenkins, Vicar of Southill, Biggleswade, diocese of St Albans.
The *Rev C. H. McCarter, Rector* of Broadwell, Evenlode, Oddington with Adlestrop, diocese of Gloucester, on September 30.
Canon J. H. T. McClintock, Vicar of Cross Canonby, diocese of Carlisle.
The Rev F. R. Mitchell, Rector of Kirkbride with Newton Arlosh, diocese of Carlisle, on September 30.
The Rev J. O. Snell, Rector of Holy Trinity, Ramsgate, diocese of Canterbury, on December 31.
The Rev R. Williamson, Vicar of the Warcop group of parishes, diocese of Carlisle, on September 30.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Sir Roger Falk, former chairman of PE International, management consultants, to be an additional *member and deputy chairman of* the Gaming Board for Great Britain from October 1.

The following to be members of the Government's Committee of Inquiry into the Teaching of Mathematics in Primary and Secondary Schools in England and Wales under the chairmanship of Dr W. H. Cockcroft, Vice-Chancellor of the New University of Ulster.
Mr A. G. Ahmed, head of department, Fairchildes High School, Croydon; Professor M. F. Atiyah, Royal Society Research Professor, Mathematical Institute, Oxford; Miss K. Cross, head of mathematics, Accrington and Rossendale College of Further Education; Mr C. David, head of Dyffryn Comprehensive School, Port Talbot; Mr G. Davies, Central Policy Unit, Prime Minister's Office; Mr K. T. Dennis, teacher, Dunmore County Junior School, Abingdon; Mr T. Easingwood, reader in mathematical education, Derby Lonsdale College of Higher Education, Derby; Mr R. P. Harding, chief education officer, Buckinghamshire; Mr J. W. Hersee, executive director, School Mathematics Project; Mrs M. Hughes, head of Yardley Junior School, Birmingham; Mr A. J. Melmosh, principal adviser in mathematics, *Leicestershire County Council*; Mr H. Neill, lecturer in mathematics, Durham University; Mr H. P. Scanlon, retiring president, AUEW; Miss H. Shuard, deputy principal, Homerton College, Cambridge; Dr P. G. Wakely, chairman and managing director, Associated Engineering Developments Ltd; Councillor D. Webster, chairman, *Education Committee, Newcastle-upon-Tyne*. A student member will be added.

25 years ago

From The Times of Monday, September 28, 1953

Washington, Sept 27.—After negotiations which have been going on for some 18 months a mutual defence agreement between the governments of the United States and Spain was signed yesterday in Madrid by the Spanish Foreign Minister, Señor Martín Artajo, and the American Ambassador, Mr James Dunn. The text of the published agreement—there is presumably also a secret one giving details of the air and naval bases involved—says that the two *governments* consider that contingencies with which both countries may be faced indicate the advisa*bility of developing* their relations upon a basis of continued friendship in support of the policy of *strengthening* the defence of the west, and are desirous of contributing to the maintenance of international peace and security

Science report
Zoology: Light on albino spider mites

By the Staff of *Nature*

The rare albino form of a common *garden pest has provided a clue* to the way light can influence animal behaviour. Dr A. Veerman *and Dr W. Helle, of Amsterdam* University, have found that spider mites cannot respond normally to *seasonal changes in the length of* daylight unless they possess pigments similar to those that give *colour to many living organisms*, including flowers and carrots.

Spider mites infest garden crops *throughout the summer, and at* the end of the season the females either lay their eggs and die or *hibernate until the spring*. The stimulus for hibernation is the onset of the shorter days of October. *It has been known for some* time that the stimulus affects the animal by acting on its pigments *which are able to absorb light*.

Various pigments have been suggested to serve that function but none has been identified satisfactorily. Now Dr Veerman and Dr Helle have produced some definitive evidence from *their study of* albino spider mites. The albinos lack carotenoids, pigments that can *absorb light, and serve the* same purpose as chlorophyll in some plants.

Albino females, it turned out, were much less likely to hibernate than were normally pigmented *females when both were kept in* an artificial regime of short autumnal days. The lack of carotenoids was evidently hampering their response to the light.

Further proof of the association of carotenoids with the response to changing light conditions came from extensive breeding experi*ments. Among the spider mites* produced were genetically albino females which nevertheless pos*sessed some pigment inherited* from their normal mothers.

Those albinos, unlike all the others, hibernated in the normal manner when the days grew shorter, confirming that carotenoids mediate the spider mite's response to light.

Source: *Nature* (275; 234; 1978).
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Latest wills
£20,000 bequest to children's hospital

Miss Eveline Lucy Rehm, of Seaford, left £20,280 net. She left all her property to the Children's Hospital, Great Ormond Street, London.

Mrs Kathleen Doris Adams Hammond, of Paignton, left £97,304 net. She left £23,500 to personal legatees and the residue to the PDSA.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Jennings, Miss Monica Mabel, of Hyde Park, London .. £182,629
Platt, Lord, of Hinchley Wood, Surrey, former president of the Royal College of Physicians, £5,363
Tilley, Miss Mabel Sophia, of Winscombe, Avon £207,421
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§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

BRITISH FUNDS

1977/78 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
107	95½	Treas 11¾%	107½	-¼	11.262	5.610
97¼	84½	Treas 3%	96¼	-¼	3.121	7.214
98¾	83¾	Elec 4½%	97½	..	4.376	7.386
106⅝	92¾	Treas 12%	106½	-½	10.422	9.784
97½	84¾	Elec 3½%	96¾	..	3.660	7.596
106¾	81½	Treas Cnv 9¼%	98¾	-¼	9.151	10.157
102¾	88¾	Treas 9%	98½	-¼	8.831	10.057
86	83¾	Treas 3½%	1977-80	93¾	..	3.736	7.539
95¾	83½	Fund 5¼%	1978-80	94½	..	5.577	9.025
112¾	96½	Exch 13¾%	1980	102½	-¼	12.681	11.508
108½	93¾	Treas 11¾%	1981	99½	-¼	11.833	11.816
94¾	77¾	Treas 9½%	1979-81	85¾	..	3.998	8.387
104	92½	Treas 9%	1981	96	-¼	10.156	11.643
97½	91¾	Exch 8¾%	1981	92¾	-¼	8.907	11.480
110½	94¾	Exch 14%	1981	94¾	-¼	10.828	11.706
92¾	53¾	Exch 3¼%	1981	86½	-¼	3.472	8.401
113⅝	96½	Exch 12¾%	1981	102½	-¼	12.487	11.887
109½	83¾	Treas 9½%	1982-84	92¾	-¼	9.213	11.250
93¾	57¾	Treas 3½%	1982	84¾	..	3.939	8.295
119½	101¾	Treas 14%	1982	106⅝	-¼	13.217	11.576
96¾	83½	Treas 8¾%	1982	90¼	-¼	9.139	11.503
103¾	91¼	Exch 9¾%	1982	91⅝	-¼	10.062	11.546
98½	89½	Exch 9¼%	1983	91¾	-¼	9.739	11.736
91¾	81¾	Exch 8¾%	1983	81½	..	3.664	7.992
114¾	93¾	Treas. 12%	1983	108¾	-¼	11.910	11.789
101½	90¾	Treas 9%	1983	97½	-¼	9.221	11.867
95½	93½	Exch 10¾%	1983	94¾	-¼	10.848	12.068
95	72½	Fund 3½%	1982-84	82½	..	3.778	10.018
98¾	75½	Treas 9¾%	1984-86	89¾	..	9.799	11.092
81½	67	Fund 3½%	1985-87	77½	-¼	3.985	10.511
92¾	69¾	Treas 3½%	1985-88	81½	-¼	3.971	11.236
73½	59¾	Treas 3½%	1986-89	68¾	..	3.733	9.670
73¾	54¾	Treas 3½%	1988-90	68¾	-¼	3.963	12.193
103½	80¾	Treas 13¾%	1990	105¾	-¼	12.620	12.472
93½	67¾	Treas 9¾%	1990-93	81¾	-¼	10.461	11.882
111	94¾	Treas 11¾%	1991	97¾	-¼	12.388	12.578
75¾	54	Fund 4%	1987-91	64½	..	4.000	10.000
117	84¾	Treas 13¾%	1992	102¾	-¼	13.374	12.703
94¾	84½	Treas 10½%	1992	89¾	-¼	11.812	12.358
113	88½	Exch 12¾%	1992	99¾	-¼	12.602	12.681
117½	84¾	Treas 12%	1993	101	-¼	12.712	12.791
100¾	83¾	Exch 9¾%	1993	91½	-¼	10.685	12.784
93¾	69½	Treas 9%	1994-98	80¾	..	12.042	12.346
93¾	78¾	Treas 10¾%	1995	92¾	-¼	12.418	12.615
93¾	83	Exch 12%	1995-97	92	-¼	12.782	12.810
93¾	78¾	Treas 9%	1994-96	90¾	-¼	9.787	11.085
91¼	57¾	Treas 2½%	1975-98	64¾	-¼	11.963	12.212
107	91¾	Treas 12%	1995-98	107	-¼	11.774	12.036
89	83¾	Treas 9¾%	2002-06	87¾	-¼	12.134	12.278
94¾	83¾	Exch 10¾%	2003-07	93¾	-¼	12.513	12.721
37¾	25¾	Corporate	4%	35¾	..	12.657	..
39¾	35¾	War Ln 3½%		37¾	..	11.484	..
39¾	26¾	Cnv	3½%	34¾	..	10.102	..
39¾	26¾	Treas	3½%	34¾	..	10.135	..
24½	17¾	Funding	2½%	23¾	..	10.719	..
24	17¾	Treas.	2½%	Aft '78	19¾	12.729	..

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

96¾	79½	Aust	5½%	1966-68	95	5.747	17 011
88½	69¼	Aust	5½%	1967-69	82¾	6.682	11 413
87¾	65¾	Aust	6%	1971-73	80¾	7.661	11 709
94¾	74¾	Aust	6½%	1975-78	91½	7.178	12.696
20	20	Chilean Mtge	4%	..	..	..	..
77½	61¼	E Africa	6½%	77-83	75½	..	7.812	13.506
400	297	German	4½%	1930	400	..	..	..
92	75½	Hungary	4%	1910	75	..	..	..
92	75½	Ireland	4%	1916-46	75	..	..	..
104¾	95¾	Jamaica	6%	1963-83	95	..	8.015	13.234
410	335	Japan	Aut 1%	1930	400	..	..	..
97½	87	Japan	6%	43-53	91	..	..	..
95	77½	Fund	5½%	1953-78	94½	..	6.439	13.420
85½	69	Malaya	6%	1954-56	83½	..	7.299	12.358
96¾	87	Fund	5½%	1953-82	87½	..	6.461	11.486
92¾	69¾	Treas	5½%	1955-85	81½	..	9.671	11.236
73½	59¾	Treas	3½%	1974-88	65¾	..	4.733	9.670
73¾	54¾	Treas	3½%	1986-89	68¾	..	7.636	10.312
138½	104¾	Treas	13½%	1999	105¾	-¼	12.620	12.472
93½	67¾	Treas	9¾%	1997-00	81¾	-¼	10.461	11.882
111	94¾	Treas	11¾%	1991	97¾	-¼	12.388	12.578
75¾	54	Fund	4%	1987-91	64½	..	4.000	10.000
117	84¾	Treas	13¾%	1992	102¾	-¼	13.374	12.703
94¾	84½	Treas	10½%	1992	89¾	-¼	11.812	12.358
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107	91¾	Treas	12%	1995-98	107	-¼	11.774	12.036
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39¾	26¾	Treas	3½%	..	34¾	..	10.135	..
24½	17¾	Funding	2½%	..	23¾	..	10.719	..
24	17¾	Treas.	2½%	Aft '78	19¾	..	12.729	..

DOLLAR STOCKS

12¾	9½	Brascan	$10¾	-¼	60.5	6.0	3.3
12¾	9¾	BP Canada	$11¾	-¼	..	..	..
14¾	9¾	Can Pac Ord	$14½	-¼	47.9	3.7	9.2
16¾	9¾	El Paso	$12¾	-¼	41.7	3.3	29.7
45¾	27¾	Exxon Corp	$37½	..	..	..	..
35	20¾	Fluor	$27	..	63.7	2.2	12.4
31½	16¾	Hollinger	$22½	..	..	..	..
33¾	25¾	Hud Bay Oil	$28¾	..	30.5	1.2	27.2
18¾	14¾	Husky Oil	$17½	..	..	..	..
54¾	37¾	Imp (ANG)	$41½	-¼	51.7	4.3	15.4
21½	17	IC Ind	$19¾	..	47.3	8.2	9.8
33¾	19¾	Kaiser Alum	$25¾	..	34.7	3.4	..
38½	24	Massey-Ferg	$28½	..	58.1	1.1	14.1
21¾	11½	Norton Simon	$14¾	..	47.8	3.4	11.3
28¾	24	Pacific Pet	$27¾	..	..	..	..
20¾	17¾	Pan Canadian	$20½	-¼	..	..	..
245	130	Steep Rock	$215	..	..	..	..
12¾	8½	Trans Can P	$11¾	..	..	..	..
42	21¾	US Steel	$35	..	..	..	..
7½	6¾	Utd Canso	$7	..	15.9	22	2.0
14½	7½	Zapata Corp	$13¾	-¼	13.7	1.3	35.3

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

305	185	Alexs Discount	300	-5	21.7	8.7	5.7
371½	219½	Allen B & Rons	315	..	30.3	9.6	7.0
248	95½	Allied Irish	244	-½	11.4	5.1	5.4
148	106	Arbuthnot	148	..	15.3	9.1	10.4
345	189	ANZ Grp	343	-3	26.9	3.2	11.5
223½	152	Bank America	216½	..	27.8	2.9	13.7
458	293½	Bk of Ireland	426	..	28.7	3.3	8.1
27	16	Bk Leumi Isr'el	13	..	8.4	2.5	11.2
200	150	Bk Lourni. Ltd	170	..	11.2	6.6	11.3
705	370	Bk of NSW	660	..	19.3	2.9	14.2
315	223	Bk of Scotland	272	..	17.3	6.4	7.0
74½	21¾	Banks Trst NY	61	..	6.0	3.3	11.6
375	215	Barclays Bank	331	..	20.5	6.0	6.7
150	115	Brown Shipley	150	..	14.1	5.6	8.1
313½	195½	Cater Ryder	270	..	23.6	8.9	..
29¾	17½	Chase Man	29¾	-¼	14.4	7.1	8.8
29¾	17¾	Citicorp	29¾	..	61.6	3.2	11.6
93	61¾	Clive Discount	75	..	7.0	9.3	8.6
232	170	Com Bk of Aust	198	..	9.4	4.1	10.5
145	118	Com Bk of Syd	119	-6	7.6	4.5	12.3
244½	174	CC De France	241	-2½	35.0	4.3	14.9
44¾	¾	First Nat Fin	¾	..	..	..	..
13	7	Fraser Anv	13½	..	7.0	9.1	4.1
210	130	Gerrard & Nat	175	-4	12.4	7.0	4.6
39	37	Gibbs A.	38	..	3.3	6.1	12.6
247½	164¾	Guinness Bros	229	-5	23.2	10.5	5.4
142	85	Grindlays Hldgs	135	..	4.2	3.1	4.6
218	150	Gurnseys Post	209	• ..	15.5	6.8	9.3
25½	12	Hambros Grp	17½	..	7.1	8.1	5.7
257	142	Hill Samuel	248	-2	14.6	5.7	8.7
136	73	Hill Samuel	95	..	7.4	7.8	8.2
350	260¾	Hong K & Shang	307½	+¾	7.4b	2.3	22.2
70½	43½	Jessel Toynbee	57	-1	5.0	8.7	..
320	215	Joseph L.	260	..	12.4	6.0	9.0
82	21	Kleinwort Ben	80	..	1.0	2.0	47.7
92	72	Kings & Shaxson	92	-2	5.2	9.1	4.4
134	76	Lloyds Bank	134	..	8.6	6.3	7.8
298	185	Lloyds Scots	255	-3	24.5	9.7	5.1
175	95	Mercury Secs	168	-3	12.3	7.3	6.0
290	256½	Midland	268	-10	22.4	8.4	5.1
85	39	Minster Assets	82	-1	5.3	6.5	9.5
209	188	Nat of Aust	202	+3	9.3	3.9	9.7
93	55	Nat Com Bk Grg	75	..	4.6	6.1	5.8
295	202	Nat W minster	258	-2	18.9	7.1	5.3
36½	29	Ottoman	£19½	..	2.6	13.3	3.2
63	45	Rea Bros	56	..	7.5	4.5	11.2
21½	11½	Royal of Can	$21½	-¼	11.6	5.3	11.7
490	290	Schroders	475	..	32.8	6.9	10.1
298	225	Security Nat	298	-10	20.3	9.4	5.7
58½	31½	Smith St Aubyn	58	-½	7.6	9.7	..
432	293	Standard Chart	410	-6	29.6	7.2	5.2
33½	21½	Union Discount	30½	-½	24.8	7.8	6.0
74	37	Wintrust	68	..	4.6	6.8	12.2

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

98	58	Allied	95	-2	6.7	8.2	11.1
170	87	Bass Charrington	165	-1	7.6	4.6	11.1
56	26	Bellhaven Grp	43	-1	..	..	..
204	78½	Bell A.	250	-6	7.5	3.0	8.3
118	58½	Boddingtons	95	..	4.0	4.1	14.9
127	64	Brown A	125	..	9.1	7.3	14.3
112½	58	Belmar HP Hldgs	110	..	4.2	3.7	7.3
113	75	Burtonwood	110	..	5.2	4.7	10.7
98	40	C of Lon Did	66	-1	4.6b	7.0	22.8
205	100	Devenish	202	..	9.1	4.5	10.1
215	118	Distillers	201	-3	11.0	5.5	8.4
137	90½	Greenall	124	-1	4.2	3.3	12.8
310	152	Greene King	304	+2	12.1	3.9	15.0
186	124	Guinness	169	..	11.0	6.7	11.7
192	96	Hardys & Hansns	187	..	10.8	5.8	12.6
156	83	Highland	135	..	4.4	3.2	10.1
152	55	Invergordon	134	-2	2.5	1.9	12.4
172	45	Irish Distillers	172	..	6.0	3.5	12.4
53	31	Marston	51	..	2.9	5.6	10.1
88	46	Scot & Newcastle	83	-½	5.2	6.1	6.7
203½	172	Seagram	192½	+½	41.0	21.3	4.3
70	40	S.A Breweries	70	..	7.0	9.1	4.1
131	62	Tomatin	123	..	4.4	3.6	13.1
134	57	Vaux	134	..	4.9	3.6	13.1
104	39½	Whitbread 'A'	99	-1	9.0	9.0	4.3
107	69	Do 'B'	101	..	9.0	8.9	4.3
98	55	Whitbread Inv	92	..	6.1	6.7	22.3
236	114	Wolverhampton	228	-8	9.2	4.0	13.4

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

97	29¾	1 C	3½	1920-23	23½	..	23 868	..	..
97	29¾	1 C	3½	1924-26	23½	..	6 290	14 847	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1927-31	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
97	29¾	1 C	3½	1931-33	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1933-36	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
77	29¾	1 C	3½	1936-39	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1939-41	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1941-44	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1944-46	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1946-48	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1948-50	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1950-52	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1952-54	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1954-56	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1956-58	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1958-60	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1960-62	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1962-64	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1964-66	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1966-68	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1968-70	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1970-72	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1972-74	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1974-76	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..
93	29	1 C	3½	1976-78	23½	..	6 290	14 900	..

Investment Dollar Premium 30%, (30%).
Premium Conversion Factor 0.8929.

FOREIGN STOCKS

57	40½	Bayer	£34½	-¼	156	3.0	22.7
174	114	Commerzbank	£172	..	45.0	2.6	15.0
54	36	Cp Fin Paris	£52½	+¼	186	3.4	10.7
62	41	EBES	£52	..	301	3.4	..
25	14	Ericsson	£20	..	59.1	3.0	25.5
29	6	Finsider	15	-1	..	..	..
74	42	Grainger	£61	..	..	..	..
5500	3500	Horsch	4500	-50	15.5	3.4	16.9
54	8	Montecatini E	38	..	..	..	..
650	470	Rouvre B.S	612	+7	29.9	4.9	34.9
538	323	Rolinco-Subs'B	426	+6	..	..	64.0
105	90	Sola Viscosa	90	..	..	..	..
97½	42	Volkswagen	90½	+½	..	..	..

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

156	104	Aberdeen Trst	148	..	7.7b	5.2	28.7
280	186	Alliance Trust	256	+1	10.8x	4.6	26.6
93½	31½	Amer Trust	47	+½	2.1	4.5	34.5
114	73	Anglo-Amer Secs	105½	+½	4.6	4.3	21.1
92	32	Anglo Int Inv	42	..	4.9	11.5	12.7
81	57	Do As Inc	76½	..	..	..	..
83	21	Anglo Scot	49	..	2.9b	5.9	32.4
143½	99½	Askdown Inv	140½	+½	6.2	4.5	23.4
131	75	ABC Regional	96	..	6.8	7.1	16.2
115	49	Atlantic Assets	108½	+½	0.6	0.6	..
41	19	Atlas Electric	40	+½	2.9	4.2	13.8
67	38½	Bayleys Inv	61½	..	3.9	6.3	23.7
72	40	Berry Trust	70½	+½	1.3	1.7	84.1
68	41½	Border & Stbrn	64	+½	11.7	15.2	39.5
46	30	Brit Am & Gen	42½	..	2.6	9.0	22.4
51	29	Brit Assets Trst	49	..	2.6	5.3	25.4
158	92	Brit Emp Sec	12	..	9.0	7.5	17.1
178	116	Brit Invest.	172	+1	7.4	4.3	35.9
177½	102½	Broadstone	163½	+1	8.0	4.9	30.8
118½	65	Brunner	103½	..	3.8	3.6	28.6
138	62	Bryanpt Inv	126	..	2.9b	3.0	30.9
119	83	CLRP Inv	71	+2	2.9	4.1	30.0
290	187	Caledonia Inv	268	+1	12.9	4.8	23.4
93	66	Caledonian Tst	89½	..	3.6	4.0	50.0
236	169	Spillers	33	..	2.1x	6.2	8.9
184	70	Sairex-Serco	174	..	6.7	3.9	13.3
256	86	Scatts Potts	246	• ..	6.0	4.1	6.2
134	48½	Stag Furniture	130	-1	7.7	5.9	9.2
40	12	Stakis 'Reo'	39½	+½	1.2	2.9	16.9
158	43½	Stanley A. G.	154	..	6.4b	4.2	11.3
87	54	Sterling Ind	86	..	5.2	6.0	9.3
230	162½	Steel Bros	223	..	10.7	4.7	15.7
264	138	Steetley Co	197	• -2	10.2	5.2	4.3
19	9	Steinberg	16½	..	1.5	8.5	9.4
60	35	Stewt & Ll 6%	50	..	..	..	..
23	8	Stocklaise Hldgs	21	..	3.9	6.4	13.3
182	89	Stocks.J. & Son	157	..	6.6	4.3	4.5
111	64	Stonehill	111	-1	9.1	8.2	12.8
146	83	Stone Plast	138	..	6.1	5.7	5.3
265	98	Storbert & Pitt	263	..	14.9	6.1	10.9
43½	20	Streeters	25	..	2.6	10.3	..
37	14	Strong & Fisher	26	..	6.6	10.1	3.8
11	11	Sunbeam W'ear	34	..	4.3	12.6	4.5
72	26	Sutcliffe S'man	65	..	8.5	13.1	3.6
175	89	Swire Pacific 'A'	161	• +5	..	..	..
134	44	Syltone	128	..	3.4	5.5	8.8
21	9	Symonds Eng	20	..	2.0	10.2	11.0

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21	9	Tace	27	+½	1.8	7.0	4.7
57½	46	Takeda Ede	$17½	+½	16.8	11.8	10.2
29½	3	Talbex Grp	17	..	0.8x	4.9	16.0
224	124	Tarmac Ltd	150	..	15.8	10.4	7.1
208	135	Tate & Lyle	150	..	20.4	10.7	4.5
230	170	Tavener Rutge	72	..	..	..	10.4
94	43	Taylor Paints	83	..	6.8	7.2	6.0
304	244	Taylor Woodrow	448	-4	11.6	2.6	20.7
138	58	Tecalemit	146	..	3.4b	5.7	7.2
114	71	Telefusion	97	..	4.2	4.3	12.4
43	17	Do A	37	..	2.8	6.4	14.2
156	94	Telephone Rent	147	..	8.5	5.8	12.7
56	38	Tesco	54½	..	2.5	4.5	10.0
34	13	Textured Jersey	34	..	1.5	4.5	6.1
93	31	Thermal Synd	104	..	6.8	6.5	5.6
250	196½	Thorn Electric	238	-4	17.4	4.6	9.4
85	52	Thurgar Bardex	15	..	1.2	6.4	6.6
660	455	Tiger Oats	617	..	32.4	5.3	4.5
147	94	Tilbury Cont	120	..	20.4	9.8	6.1
242	146	Tilley T.	230	..	6.2	2.7	9.2
215	42	Time Products	204	..	2.5x	1.2	7.7
90	38	Tinsplate Junr	2	..	..	..	..
120	36	Tomkins F. H.	28	-1	1.6	5.4	6.8
118	78	Toye	65	..	1.9	2.9	8.3
75	32	Tozer Kemsley	56	-3	4.7	8.4	4.9
98	48	Trafalgar H Ltd	124	-2	8.6b	6.9	7.7
85	42	Trans Paper	71	..	7.5	10.5	9.8
45	23	Transport Dev	38	..	3.9	10.2	5.8
194	77	Travis & Arnold	192	• +1	9.9	5.1	6.4
95	35	Trevorite	84	-6	3.1	3.7	7.7
211½	108	Trident TV 'A'	98	..	4.4	7.6	7.3
225½	137	Trifelus & Co	84	-1	2.8	3.0	16.9
105	59	Triplex Found	102	..	7.0	6.9	5.0
116	74	Trust Hse Forte	249	-3	13.4	5.6	9.3
486	313½	Tube Invest	384	-4	33.7	8.8	4.9
187	107	Tunnel Hldgs 'B'	168	..	16.6	6.4	8.4
178	97	Turner Clarkson	174	..	9.5	5.7	7.7
283	132	Turner Newall	185	-5	17.4	9.5	6.0
133	83	Turner Mfg	143	..	6.1	4.3	5.4
94	37	Turriff	89	..	3.6	4.1	5.2
79	34	UBM Grp	69	-1	4.5	6.5	7.9
189	94	UDS Grp	182	-3	8.0	7.9	10.9
128	78	UKO Int	108	..	13.3	8.3	8.7
109	68	Unicorn Ind	103	..	8.6	8.3	7.5
74	42	Unigate	74	..	4.2	5.6	10.3
620	413	Unilever	598	-14	20.8	3.7	9.8
232½	129½	Do NV	225½	..	133	4.6	8.7
155	85	Unitech	140	-1	6.1x	3.6	13.2
84	65½	Utd Biscuit	84	-1	4.6	5.3	9.6
72	21½	Utd City Mers	68	..	1.3	1.8	8.8
68	28	Utd Gas	65	..	3.4	5.2	11.1
71	21½	Utd Gas Ind	69	..	2.6	3.7	7.5
248	100	Utd News	238	..	22.4	9.4	7.7
264	138	Utd Scientific	248	-3	9.2	2.6	14.5
19	9	Valor	16	..	3.2	3.5	5.3
138	78	Vantona	134	..	8.1	6.1	6.2
227	98	Vereenging Rez	220	..	15.7	8.9	5.9
136	84	Vibroplant	135	..	16.1	8.3	11.4
244	144	Vickers	194	-4	14.9	7.7	7.0
98	52	Vim-Tex	96	..	5

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Mr Carter prepared for higher unemployment to combat inflation

From Frank Vogl
Washington, Sept 27

The Carter Administration is willing to accept a substantial slowdown in the American economic growth rate in 1979 and a rise in unemployment in order to combat inflation.

European government officials here said they had been surprised and impressed by the new degree of White House concern about the dollar and the inflation trend.

Top American Administration officials have told the European officials privately that President Carter fully recognizes that higher unemployment is an inevitable consequence of the tough anti-inflation programme.

The American Government is confident that the dollar will strengthen as a result of higher measures than have generally been expected and the improving trend of the country's balance of payments.

Figures issued by the Commerce Department today show a sharp fall in the trade deficit in August to $1,620m (about £2m) from $2,990m in July and a record level of exports. These rose by 6 per cent to $21,470m, while imports declined by 5 per cent to $23,090m.

Throughout this week European government officials have had many private meetings with top Carter Administration officials, in which the Americans have painstakingly outlined their new economic policies and their expectations. The Administration continues to declare publicly that America's real growth target for 1979 is 3.5 per cent. Privately Administration officials have told their European counterparts that they would not be surprised, or disappointed, if the actual rate next year fell below 3 per cent.

They have even indicated that there might be one or two quarters in 1979 of negligible real growth.

Further, the Americans have stated that they do not expect to see a cut in the present 5.9 per cent unemployment rate and that it seems quite probable that this rate may rise, possibly to 6.5 per cent, during 1979.

They stressed that new incomes, monetary and fiscal policies are all being carefully harmonized to ensure a cut in the underlying inflation of between 7 and 8 per cent.

Bankers here and some foreign officials have expressed disappointment that the Carter Administration has not yet announced it snew anti-inflation measures.

However, according to European officials, its leaders have given two reasons why the White House has decided to wait for possibly a few more weeks before outlining its programme.

First, the Administration fears that some of its Bills now in Congress might be altered if a tough anti-inflation programme is announced. The Government is said to want the Congress to take final decisions on energy and tax legislation before it announces a new programme.

It could be that the new measures will not be published before mid-October as Congress is aiming to adjourn on October 14.

Secondly, Administration officials have stressed that they believe there is no chance of winning trade union support for a new wage and price guideline plan without conducting lengthy talks with the unions in advance.

Such talks are now being held and so far, according to European officials, the Administration has won some support for voluntary wage restraint on condition that it does not engage in finger-pointing and public rebukes of trade unions and their leaders.

European officials asserted that it now seems probable that the centrepiece of the Administration's plan will be tough guidelines for price increases, possibly limiting these to no more than 5.5 per cent, with a call for wage rises not to exceed 6 per cent.

Some government sanctions to try to enforce this voluntary wage and price control plan are being contemplated.

European officials stressed that in their conversations with the Administration's leaders and with Mr William Miller, chairman of the Federal Reserve, they had the distinct impression that the new programme would be accompanied by somewhat tighter credit policies and by a general statement that the Budget next January would possibly involve a deficit of under $30,000m.

Statement soon by City on insider trading

By Christopher Wilkins

The Council for the Securities Industry, the recently-formed City self-regulatory body, is now considering making an early statement of its views on insider trading.

It has set up a committee to look into the whole question but has not so far progressed to making a detailed review of the Government's plans outlined in July's company law White Paper.

However, there are pressures in the council for a public statement shortly, partly because the company law proposals probably will be outlined in the Queen's speech at the opening of Parliament, and because a companies Bill could be a fairly high priority of the Government.

There is some concern in the City over this, in view of the White Paper statement that the Government wanted "to allow a longer period for public consideration than is normally permitted by the parliamentary timetable".

The issue has been made more urgent by a speech in Brazil on Tuesday by Mr Nicholas Goodison, chairman of the Stock Exchange, in which he said he did not think any of the legislative proposals so far produced on insider trading were adequate. A central feature of the White Paper is a proposal to make insider dealing a criminal offence.

Mr Goodison said that no amount of domestic legislation would cope with the problem of deals emanating from overseas banks. Another problem was that legislation could make the Stock Exchange investigation more difficult if it made the collection of evidence subject to possible legal procedures.

A spokesman for the Department of Trade expressed some surprise over Mr Goodison's comments, and said that his views had not been expressed formally to the department since the publication of the White Paper. In the City his speech was widely seen as kite-flying designed to revive debate on the issue.

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Varley talks achieve compromise on British entry into European airbus consortium

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, Sept 27

Mr Eric Varley, the Secretary of State for Industry, returned yesterday from talks with M Joel Le Theule, the French Minister of Transport, which hold out a fair prospect of a compromise agreement on British re-entry into the European airbus consortium, and participation in research and development costs of the new 200-seater A-310 version of the aircraft.

The key to the compromise is that the French Government no longer makes purchase by British Airways of the airbus an absolute condition for British participation.

The decision by Laker Airways to purchase 10 airbuses certainly indirectly helped to smooth the way for the compromise, by enabling the French Government to take a more elastic approach to the issue.

But the most decisive factor was the refusal of the West German Federal Government to support the adamant French line, on the grounds that a European aerospace industry without Britain would make no industrial or economic sense.

The Franco-German summit at Aachen earlier this month between President Giscard d'Estaing and Herr Helmut Schmidt marked the turning point in the French Government's attitude.

According to informed sources, President Giscard gave firm instructions to the minister of transport to work out an agreement with British Aerospace which took into account the legitimate interests of both sides. This is what was presented to Mr Varley yesterday by his French colleague.

Essentially, it means that the amount of the British financial contribution to the Research and Development costs of the A-310 project will be higher than the £50m so far under discussion if British Airways go through with their present plans to purchase 19 Boeing 757s.

Britain would also be required to give a long-term undertaking to join in other European civil aircraft projects like the twin-engined jet 150 to 180 seat airliner.

There is little likelihood that as part of the compromise package proposed by the French Government, Britain will agree to being given limited rights within the airbus consortium. These would include British Aerospace being given a 20 per cent participation and Britain waiving its right to exercise a veto on projects with which it did not agree, for fear that they might conflict with American projects, in which Britain had a direct interest.

It would be wrong to attribute the more accommodating French approach solely to German pressure. A second deeper look at the pros and cons of British participation in the A-310 project appears to have convinced the French Government that the Boeing 537, as M André Turcat, the former test pilot of Concorde and now aeronautical advisor to the Gaullist Party, argued in *Le Monde* a week ago, is not in fact a complete substitute for the B4 or B10 airbus.

It has also come round to the view that with the prospect of orders for the existing versions of the airbus by American Airlines, the capacity of the existing members of the consortium to meet delivery dates would be seriously strained.

And finally, that without the British aircraft construction capacity, which alone amounts to that of all the other west European industries combined, and is the only one remotely capable of competing with the United States, the hopes of setting up a profitable European civil aerospace industry were nil.

Arthur Reed writes: Mr Varley has been urged by a Labour MP, Mr Walter Johnson (Derby, South) to intervene in the decision by Sir Freddie Laker, chairman of Laker Airways, to buy American General Electric engines rather than Rolls-Royce RB 211s for the fleet of 10 European A300 airbuses which he is to buy at a cost of around £180m.

Announcing his order for American engines during the first flight of his new Skytrain service between London and Los Angeles, Sir Freddie said: "Rolls-Royce withdrew from the contest because Laker Airways were unable to accept even the few months delay which could be needed to re-certify the A300 with the Rolls-Royce engine."

Opec chiefs pave way for price rise

By Nicholas Hirst
Energy Correspondent

Leaders of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) are paving the way for a rise in prices for next year.

At the opening of a joint development seminar between the Organisation of Arab Oil Exporting Countries (Oapec) and the Norwegians yesterday, Sheikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah, chairman of Opec and Oapec, said Arab countries could not continue to tolerate the increasing erosion in revenues from inflation and the decline of the dollar.

A damaging split amongst Opec members which had developed in January 1977 was smoothed six months later when a two-tier price structure was ended and both factions settled on a 10 per cent increase. Since then prices have remained frozen.

A meeting of experts in London this year considered ways of protecting oil revenues from fluctuations in the dollar, but despite widespread speculation the Opec conference was not recalled.

It was thought that Saudi Arabia, the most powerful of the Opec countries, would not agree to any action being taken. Since then there have been signs of a slight strengthening of the market and leaders like Sheikh Ali-Khalifa have been stressing how far real revenues had declined.

He told the conference yesterday that in 1975 prices Opec crude was only slightly more than half today's price of $12.70.



Shaikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah, at the opening ceremony in Oslo yesterday: "Erosion of revenues cannot be tolerated."

BBC switch may find shortage of radio sets

Sales of radios are rising—some retailers say by as much as a fifth—ahead of the changes in wave bands being made by the BBC on November 23.

Some retailers are worried that there will be a shortage of sets, particularly in the next few weeks, because of the recent dispute at Southampton docks which disrupted supplies from the Far East.

Almost 90 per cent of radios sold in the British market come—if only in component form—from abroad.

Mr Jeffery Dickman, sales manager of Fidelity Radio, the largest of the remaining British manufacturers, said retailers were not stocking above the normal seasonal level. If demand for radios rises after the BEC changes, there could be a shortage of radios, cassette recorders and music centres at Christmas, he said.

"Theoretically, the British manufacturer with his shorter lines of supply should benefit. But there is a limit to how much extra production can be turned out even as we have done in the past, working overtime and seven days a week", Mr Dickman said.

Against a background of patchy sales in other consumer durables from refrigerators to colour television sets, radio manufacturers like Fidelity report trade so far to be buoyant. But Mr Dickman still questions whether there will necessarily be a big boom in sales of radios.

This is because the BBC is switching Radio 4 to the long wave band which a considerable number of radios no longer have. Many imported sets have only medium and very high frequency (VHF) bands. Although Radio 4 will be broadcast on VHF it will be a restricted service.

Manufacturers and retailers are debating how large a market Radio 4 listeners represent and how far the BBC's increasing publicity on the changes may prompt people to buy new sets.

Rumbelows, a major retail chain, reported yesterday a 20 per cent increase in radio sales.

Mr Tony Hopkins, sales director of Currys, said that in a special promotion during the past fortnight radio sales had risen by 20 per cent.

Derek Harris

Witteveen panel to be formed

Washington, Sept 27.—Dr Johannes Witteveen, former managing director of the International Monetary Fund, will be named next week as chairman of a new international panel to consider world monetary reforms over the next three years, it was learned yesterday.

Other members of the panel are expected to include Dr Otmar Emminger, head of the West German central bank, M Jacques Polak, economic counsellor of the IMF, and other international monetary experts.

The Rockefeller Foundation, New York, has agreed to finance the research efforts of the Witteveen panel, IMF sources said.

Since Dr Witteveen retired as IMF head a few weeks ago, he has been serving as adviser to the Amsterdam-Rotterdam bank. He also is a former finance minister of the Dutch government.—AP-Dow Jones.

More US banks raise prime lending rate

From Our US Economics Correspondent
Washington, Sept 27

An increasing number of American banks are now following the two-day-old lead of The First National Bank of Chicago in raising their prime lending rates from 9½ to 9¾ per cent. The Chemical Bank, Chase Manhattan Bank and Manufacturers Hanover Trust announced the increase today and Citibank is likely to do so on Friday.

Bankers and United States Government officials believe the rates are likely to go still higher. Mr Fred Bergsten, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, said today the Federal Reserve Board was tightening its credit policies, and that there was a case for further tightening.

Evidence that tighter credit conditions may be ahead was provided by the Fed today in its money market operations, in which it indicated it may buy heavily tomorrow.

Some Government officials now believe that the rise in interest rates will see a substantial flow of dollars back to the United States from overseas. They note that it is through tighter monetary policies and higher interest rates rather than any system of controls, that authorities can strive to reduce the Euromarket volume.

Mr Bergsten emphatically denied that the United States was contemplating any Euromarket controls: "I just can't see a practical solution (by controls) to the problem of large dollar balances held privately overseas."

The higher interest rates also may stimulate some foreign governments to place more of their dollars in United States investments.

The British still believe that some of these official holdings can be mopped up by International Monetary Fund "substitution account".

Accountants offer to standardize methods used by state industries

By Bryan Appleyard

Mr Tom Watts, chairman of the Accounting Standards Committee, has offered the Government his assistance in finding a method of standardizing the accounts of nationalized industries.

Mr Watts revealed yesterday that he had written to Mr Robert Sheldon, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, soon after a parliamentary debate on the confusion caused by the differing accounting standards in use.

Mr Sheldon had said in Parliament that if a standard on inflation accounting was long delayed some kind of interim method of accounting for inflation would have to be found.

The implication that the accountants would be left out of this process stung Mr Watts into writing to Mr Sheldon to point out that an exposure draft on inflation accounting would not be due until next year and offering the ASC's services in formulating a consistent interim method.

Mr Sheldon wrote back saying the offer would be considered and Mr Watts is now awaiting developments. The next round of nationalized industry results is not for some months.

Mr Watts revealed the details of the exchange at the launch of "Setting Accounting Standards: A consultative document" which has been written by a review group of the ASC of which he was the chairman.

On public corporation accountants the document said compliance to standards of the particular industry should be a requirements of the accounts. Mr Watts also reemphasized the need for uniformity in the accounts.

The document has been produced in response to widespread criticism of the process whereby accounting standards have been created since the ASC's formation in 1969/70—particularly its failure to produce an acceptable method of inflation accounting.

It reiterates the necessity of standards to narrow the choice of accounting treatment and to make accounts comparable. It rejects the use of standards as merely benchmarks from which to measure deviations but acknowledges there may be exceptional circumstances where deviations would be necessary to present a "true and fair" view.

The document rejects the idea that standards should only apply to larger enterprises, though accepts that specific standards may be necessary for particular industries. These should deal with disclosure rather than measurements—the aim is to make the latter type of standard as universally applicable as possible.

On the issue of enforcement the ASC has approached the Stock Exchange but has evidently been rebuffed. It was thought that standards could be enforced with the sanction, against listed companies at least, of suspension of the shares but the Stock Exchange has said it is unwilling to take on the role.

This has left the accountants with the hope that the newly formed Council for the Securities Industry might take on the role though it is too early in its life to decide.

The document says the audit report should refer to significant departures from standards and breaches but leaves open the issue of whether it should include references to departures from standards to which the auditors have agreed.

Wider consultation is listed as a top priority both inside and outside the profession. Specifically the report recommends informal discussions with the press, public hearings for the ASC, an ASC newssheet, more informal guidance for accountants and formal recommendations and interpretations.

Overall the existing structure of the ASC is defended although some criticism of this can be expected over the six-month consultative period which starts with the publication.

Mr Watts said it would be at least a year before any changes would be implemented although the pursuit of wider consultation could be started immediately.

Finally, the report acknowledges that an "agreed conceptual framework" is not available to the accountants and in its absence they can only "proceed from a historical cost starting point to a pragmatic and experimental basis".

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Mr Robert Sheldon: considering Standards Committee offer.

Decision on Chrysler UK likely today

By Our Political Editor

The Government's decision on the proposed takeover of Chrysler UK by Peugeot-Citroën is expected to be made public today or tomorrow, according to Whitehall sources.

There was no immediate indication which way it would go. However, it was learned that the matter would not be discussed any further at today's Cabinet meeting, but that the decision would be announced by Mr Eric Varley.

Tight security has been maintained on the Government's negotiations with Chrysler throughout the seven weeks since the takeover proposal was announced, because of what are said to be "tricky legal questions" as well as manning levels.

French Electric £152m loan plan

Paris, Sept 27.—Electricité de France is planning a $300m (about £152m) to $500m credit, but nothing has yet been fixed, according to a spokesman for the state-owned company.

He said it would be looking for a loan of about 10 years at rates as low as ¾ per cent over London interbank offered rates. But he stressed that no decision had been made

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Swiss action to curb rise in currency next week

From David Blake
Washington, Sept 27

Measures to protect the Swiss franc from further appreciation are likely to be announced next week.

Swiss monetary authorities from the Central Bank and the Government are believed to have held intensive discussions yesterday with the United States and Germany during which they made clear that they intended to take action to slow the Swiss franc's rise.

Pessimism among private Swiss bankers as a result of a rise in their currency's value against both the dollar and the Deutsche mark, is thought by some senior International Monetary Fund officials to have been at least partly responsible for the generally negative reaction to IMF forecasts that the American current account deficit would halve next year by July.

It is recognized that recent movements in which the Swiss franc has risen strongly against the Deutsche mark, against which it usually has a fairly stable relationship, pose severe problems for the Swiss.

In recent years there have been many sets of measures designed to restrict inflows of foreign money, mostly dollars, into Switzerland. No details were immediately available of the Swiss measures being planned.

Mr Healey 'doubts' on money plan

From Our Economics Staff
Washington, Sept 27

West German private bankers at the meeting of the International Monetary Fund here say that Mr Denis Healey, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, has expressed strong doubts about many of the details of the proposed European Monetary System, calling it "an elaborate snake".

They also say that the Chancellor is concerned about what he regards as the interim nature of the scheme.

While explaining Britain's technical reservations, the Chancellor is thought to have gone out of his way to try to calm fears that the United Kingdom is fundamentally opposed to the European monetary system. It is recognized that this belief by some EEC members has not helped Britain's negotiating position.

The monetary plan is still a long way from being completed, and there seems to be a difference of emphasis between the Germans and the British over many aspects.

Some officials of the German Federal Bank, doubt whether the United Kingdom will be ready to join as a full member next year. But there is no question of a veto since United Kingdom membership is thought politically very desirable.

Short-lived boost for dollar

The dollar recovered sharply at first in the foreign exchange markets yesterday on the news of a reduced United States trade deficit in August of $1,620m. However it later lost the new ground against some European currencies.

The Deutsche mark began to recover against the Swiss franc yesterday after falling sharply in recent days as the latter bore the brunt of the switch out of dollars. The mark finished at a new closing peak of DM1.9405 against the dollar. The Swiss franc lost 1.15 centimes in dollar terms to close at Swfr 1.496.

Gold lost $2 to $215, an ounce on the day in reaction to the dollar's upturn. Sterling had a mixed day with the market still a little unsettled about the prospects for pay restraint. Its effective rate index dropped 0.1 to close at 62.6 per cent of its end 1971 value. Against the dollar, it dropped 10 points to $1.9705.

The currency markets were expecting the US Senate to vote on the gas pricing legislation last night and had largely discounted its effect on the dollar.

Sri Lanka profit embargo lifted

Colombo, Sept 27.—Foreign companies may now repatriate profits earned in Sri Lanka and non-resident shareholders may receive dividends from locally registered companies, lifting restrictions in force since 1967, a Central Bank spokesman said.

The bank's exchange control department has told authorized foreign exchange dealers that profits and dividends may be remitted to foreign investors subject to certain conditions, he said.

Company auditors must certify that the amounts remitted represent profits in the latest fiscal period, and not undistributed earnings from previous years, company reserves or proceeds from asset sales.

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How the markets moved

The Times index: 221.86—1.71
The FT index: 506.0—8.2

Rises

Beecham Grp	2p to 722p	ML Hldgs	5p to 210p
Courtaulds	1p to 119p	Newmark L	20p to 270p
Decca	10p to 455p	Ofrex Grp	6p to 113p
Glaxo Hldgs	9p to 627p	Paterson Zoch	5p to 190p
Home Charm	2p to 224p	Rio Tinto-Zinc	7p to 247p
ICL	10p to 430p	Ransomes Sims	5p to 180p
Jardine M'son	9p to 275p	Yeoman Tst	5p to 196p

Falls

Barclays Bank	7p to 333p	Plessey	1p to 116p
EMI	9p to 14ep	Phillips Pats	1p to 17p
Fisons	5p to 352p	Southvaal	23p to 577p
GEC	3p to 324p	Seccombe Mar	10p to 210p
Grand Met	2p to 111p	Sedg Forbes	10p to 435p
Imp Chem Ind	2p to 392p	Taylor Woodrow	8p to 448p
Midland	10p to 340p	Walker C and W	8p to 124p

Equities retreated.
Gilt edged securities fell.
Dollar premium 90.25 per cent (effective rate 47.75 per cent).
Sterling lost 10pts to $1.9705. The effective exchange rate index was at 62.6.
Gold lost $2 an ounce to $215.375.
SDR-$ was 1.28050 on Wednesday, while SDR-£ was 0.648289.
Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1487.6 (previous 1487.0).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.77	1.71
Austria Sch	29.25	27.25
Belgium Fr	65.75	62.25
Canada $	2.38	2.31
Denmark Kr	11.02	10.52
Finland Mkk	8.25	7.90
France Fr	8.92	8.52
Germany Dm	4.02	3.80
Greece Dr	73.50	69.50
Hongkong $	9.60	9.15
Italy Lr	1675.00	1590.00
Japan Yn	395.00	370.00
Netherlands Gld	4.35	4.12
Norway Kr	10.53	10.08
Portugal Esc	93.00	87.00
S Africa Rd	2.04	1.91
Spain Pes	149.00	142.00
Sweden Kr	9.00	8.60
Switzerland Fr	3.12	2.90
US $	2.02	1.96
Yugoslavia Dnr	41.00	38.25

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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LONGTON
TRANSPORT (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

Year ended 31st March	1978	1977
	£'000	£'000
Sales	27,870	25,510
Profit before taxation	1,145	1,327
Profit after taxation	1,023	1,079
Earnings per ordinary share	15.9p	17.1p
Ordinary dividend per share	*3.85p	*3.44p

*maximum permitted

Extracts from circulated Statement of the Chairman, Mr. Alfred J. Dale

Profit before taxation amounted to £1,145,610 for the year compared with £1,327,052. The reduction in profit before tax was, to a large extent, caused by adverse trading conditions in the steel stockholding and transport industries.

Transport, Storage and Distribution Division—A more stable situation has developed and trading is at a more satisfactory level.

Steel Stockholding—Trading prospects for the current year appear to be considerably brighter.

Car Distributorships achieved some real growth in sales, with increased profits particularly in the last quarter of the financial year.

At the Annual General Meeting, the Chairman said:

"The first few months of the current year have started well. All divisions of the Group have shown improved results in the first quarter as compared with the same period in 1977. Providing we maintain a flexible and adaptable approach in dealing with the problems which may confront us, I am confident that during the current year we should be able to improve on our present level of profit."

Copies of the Report and Accounts may be obtained from the Secretary, Head Office, 473 King Street, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent ST3 1EU.

British makers see serious threat in breakdown of Davignon steel controls

Call to stop 'unfair' imports of nuts and bolts

By Patricia Tisdall
Management Correspondent

The breakdown of the Davignon plan to control EEC steel prices was seriously threatening the British nut, bolt and screw industry, the British Industrial Fasteners' Federation said yesterday. Members were facing unfair competition from European rivals who bought steel about 25 per cent below the official EEC price.

Unless something was done to stop unfairly priced imports, they could account for more than half of United Kingdom sales of standard fasteners within two or three years, according to Mr T. H. Foster, managing director of the Rubery Owen Fastener Group. Imports of some special items in particular small diameter high tensile products had more than trebled during the last 12 months.

A delegation from the federataion is to put its case at a meeting with the EEC's Competition Directorate shortly. Backed by the British Steel Corporation, it is also to discuss fair trading with Viscount Etienne Davignon, European Commissioner for Industry, who devised the price and productivity controls to help strengthen the steel industry's profit and recovery rate.

Steel costs account for 45 to 50 per cent of the final price of industrial fastenings, which include rivets (but not zips) as well as all types of bolts, nuts and screws. They use about 250,000 tonnes of steel annually. The British manufacturers which deal mostly with the British Steel Corporation at official prices, say they cannot match those charged by their competitors.

They also allege that supplies from some non-EEC countries are given further pricing assistance through manufacturing subsidies.

The new competition from Europe exacerbates long-standing problems arising from dumping by Far East countries. In 1976 the industry was one of the first to win an anti-dumping case in the EEC against Taiwan. As a result, a 15 per cent duty was imposed on imports from this source, but the federation is about to press Brussels for either quotas or higher duty.

British fastener makers stressed the urgency of their problems yesterday. Their home market, worth around £390m last year, already has been eroded by sluggish demand and increased imports of finished products such as cars and domestic electrical appliances. Without a strong aircraft industry, a prime customer for costlier and more advanced fastenings, they are seriously alarmed about their future.

Mr C. P. Richards, chairman of the federation, gave a warning about the effects of contraction on the industry's 40,000 workers. Staffing in some plants had been cut by half already, and the industry's capacity was "seriously under-utilized".

As part of an eight-point rescue plan, the industry wants what it describes as "its strategic importance" to be recognized by the Government, and says that its demise would have "the most serious implications for the ecooomy".

The plan also seeks scope for equal price competition with other EEC countries and controls on Far East imports.

Implementation of the plan was urgent for the fastening industry and the whole of the British manufacturing industry, Mr Richards said. "The strategic importance of the British industrial fasteners industry is such that if it is threatened, whole areas of British industry in general could also suffer."

Imports of footwear up in July

By Derek Harris

Imports of footwear increased again in July, by 3.5 per cent in volume terms, although imports in the first seven months of this year overall are still down about 13 per cent.

But the decline has taken place against a background of a fall in supplies to shops, according to the latest returns of the British Footwear Manufacturers Federation.

Between January and June supplies were about 11 per cent down on the same period last year. Import penetration of the United Kingdom market now stands at 48 per cent compared with 31 per cent last year.

The federation's figures show large increases in the volume of footwear being landed in Britain from certain countries. In the first seven months Sweden exported 157 per cent more footwear to Britain, although from a comparatively small base.

The more worrying increase is South Korea's 115 per cent rise compared with the first seven months of last year, with 10.6 million pairs of shoes having been shipped into this country by July. South Korea is a particular problem for the British manufacturers because makers there are moving into quality leather footwear to compete with some of Britain's major producers.

The federation has been pressing the Government for tougher import controls.

Portugal's exports to the United Kingdom have risen 67 per cent this year to July. Exports from Argentina have risen 54 per cent, and those from Brazil by 57 per cent.

Given the decline in supplies to the shops United Kingdom manufacturers' overall deliveries, including those for export, were at that point encouraging, having fallen only 6 per cent in the first six months of the year. Orders jumped 36 per cent in May and the federation reported yesterday that employment was now stable, with the number of workers on overtime now far exceeding those on short-time.

The value of retail sales rose just over 20 per cent in the first seven months compared with the same period of last year.

But a growing trend towards international protectionism is blunting the rise in Britain's footwear exports. In the first seven months exports were down about 1 per cent but the July returns showed a drop of nearly 9 per cent.

Exports to Canada have dropped 24 per cent, while exports to the United States have jumped 51 per cent in the same period.

Employment Gazette

Fewer working days lost through strikes in year's first eight months

Strikes cost the country fewer working days in the first eight months of this year than during the same period last year, according to the September Employment Gazette.

However, this better record is unlikely to last after the walkout at Ford's this week.

There were 1,461 strikes between January and August this year compared with 1,803 in the same months of 1977. The number of working days lost was also lower at 4,153,000.

During August 129 strikes began, 74 of which were caused by pay disputes. There were 449,000 working days lost in August, compared with 348,000 in July.

Unemployment

A new analysis of the length of time people have spent on the unemployment register is also published in the *Gazette*.

The results of the study show that males experience longer spells of unemployment than females, and that the duration fluctuates with the level of unemployment, but tends to lag behind unemployment as it rises and falls.

The study also confirms the popular impression that the length of time spent on the unemployment register increases rapidly with age, and that the duration of unemployment tends to be higher in regions with higher jobless rates.

Figures given in the study show that last July some 25.4 per cent of all unemployed males in Britain had not worked for at least a year.

This proportion is a good deal higher than it was in 1970 when 18.9 per cent of unemployed males had not worked for at least a year. In July, 1962, the figure was 15.4 per cent.

For females, the equivalent proportion unemployed for over a year was 13.6 per cent last July, compared with 8.9 per cent in 1971.

Some 56.5 per cent of all jobless males had not worked for at least three months and 41.8 per cent had not worked for at least six months.

Employment

Industrial employment rose by 34,000 in July, although on a seasonally adjusted basis the number employed in production industries was slightly less than in June.

The total of men and women in these industries in July was 9.1 million. Employment in manufacturing industry rose by 32,500 during the month to 7.2 million.

Although the number of registered unemployed has fallen over the past year there has not been a corresponding rise in those in employment.

Between July 1977 and July 1978 there was a drop of 60,500 employees in production industries and 46,100 in manufacturing.

The discrepancy between the figures for employment and unemployment probably represents a combination of a change in the proportion of those without jobs who actually register themselves as unemployed, and an increase in the number of people in undisclosed employment.

Overtime

Overtime working rose by 2 per cent in July to a seasonally adjusted 15.72 million hours in manufacturing industry. However, overtime working was still below the levels reached earlier this year and the level of July 1977.

More workers were laid off for a whole week with short time working in July, with 699,000 hours lost in the month compared with 446,000 in June.

Productivity

Productivity rose in manufacturing and other industry in the second quarter of this year. Output per employee in manufacturing industry rose by 1 per cent from the first three months of the year and was 2 per cent above the level a year earlier.

For production industries as a whole there was a rise of just under 1 per cent in output per employee between the first and second quarters of the year.

Miniature computer launched

By Kenneth Owen
Technology Correspondent

A new minicomputer introduced yesterday by Computer Technology, of Hemel Hempstead, is claimed to represent a significant advance in the use of microprocessors in a "distributed" form within a computer system. The new computer is only one-eighteenth the size of a computer of comparable power made by the same company in 1970.

In the new machine, known as the Model 8040, a variety of microprocessors are used to control various peripheral units attached to a central processor. This arrangement gives a more balanced performance, since the peripheral load no longer draws on system software and extensive memory.

Complete systems using the new minicomputer will cost from under £45,000 to over £100,000.

Mr Bob Finch, managing director of Computer Technology, said that the company was aiming for a turnover of about £6m and a profit of about £500,000 this year. It had delivered 500 computer systems in the past 10 years.

A 26 per cent increase in turnover to £8.5m and a 52 per cent rise in pre-tax profit to £270,000 is reported today by CMG (Computer Management Group), the computing services company, for the year ended April 30, 1978.

CMG's work during the year included £1m worth of computer services in Britain and the Netherlands

Further GEC attempt to win orders for turbines

By R. W. Shakespeare

New approaches to the Government aimed at influencing the Central Electricity Generating Board's ordering policy for generating equipment are likely to be made following a meeting in Manchester yesterday between senior management and union officials from GEC's four big turbine plants.

The management and union men met to draw up a joint strategy aimed at safeguarding up to 9,000 jobs which would be in jeopardy in Manchester, Stafford, Rugby, and Larne in Northern Ireland, if the company fails to win orders for equipment for new nuclear power stations.

Union representatives are especially worried that the multi-million pounds contracts for this equipment could go to Reyrolle Parsons, the north-east company which has already secured the nuclear work for the proposed new power stations at Heysham, Lancashire, and Torness, Inverness-shire.

Mr Geoffrey Simpson secretary of the GEC trade union combined committee said yesterday: "We believe that because Parsons was given the Drax B contract as well as the nuclear work at Heysham and Torness the Government has a social and moral obligation to ensure that the four turbine units are ordered from GEC".

He said the company's competitive position overseas would be severely weakened if the Government refused this.

"If we cannot sell our products at home people overseas will not want to know us."

British machines put Soviet forging into world lead

By Ronald Kershaw

Using machines made in Britain, the Soviet Union has enhanced its forging capability to become a world leader in this field, Mr Keith Ross a director of Davy-Loewy and general manager of the company's hydraulics machinery division, said at Sheffield yesterday.

In the past two years the company, part of Davy International, has won more than £40m of Soviet orders.

At an open day at the Sheffield works yesterday, Mr Ross urged British companies in the forging field to invest with government aid in new plant.

Mr Ross said: "Investment is like rowing a boat against the current. When you stop you go out of sight, and many companies in Britain have done this".

This country, he said, had a world lead in forging press technology, and while all Davy-Loewy competitors were short of work, the company workshops were full.

The reason was its investment in new technology and new machine tools.

Mr Eric Hall, sales manager of the hydraulic machinery division said it had been proved that investment in control systems and manipulators (equipment for handling workpieces) had increased productivity by 50 per cent.

Not least of the considerations of using manipulators was the saving in loss of heat on forgings.

During yesterday's open day guests from forging companies saw tests being carried out on a 120 tonnes manipulator destined for the Soviet Union.

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Return on capital employed	24.12%	24.37%
Earnings per ordinary share	20.08p	16.62p
Dividends per ordinary share (net)	4.22p	3.78p
Assets per ordinary share	102.07p	88.07p

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Opencast mining shows intelligent anticipation

From the Chairman, Opencast Executive, National Coal Board

Sir, We understand the concern of local residents expressed by Mr F. S. Cole (September 21) about opencast mining operations in areas of natural beauty.

The National Coal Board can, of course, extract coal only from where it was formed millions of years ago. The Opencast Executive pay great attention to all the environmental considerations wherever the site may be and the environmental awards we have received show that our achievements are recognized by others.

As Mr Cole suggests, we have been prospecting in the vicinity of Pencoed in South Wales since 1966. It is an area of complex geology and the exploration programme is now nearly complete with final drilling expected to take place before the end of next year.

As I explained in my previous letter (September 12) we accept that public opinion must be satisfied on the need for the coal to be worked. That is why a great deal of time and trouble is taken to prepare our case and, not unnaturally, we expect it to stand a fair chance of success. Therefore, as soon as we have expressed to local authorities and others our interest in the possibility of mining a site, we take the opportunity of purchasing any relevant land or property which becomes available. This is intelligent anticipation and not, as Mr Cole suggests, any disregard for local opinion or a subsequent public inquiry.

When land or property is purchased by the Opencast Executive the transaction is negotiated through the District Valuer. In this way current market values—and not inflated values—are the basis of purchase.

I can assure Mr Cole that opencast mining is profitable and that the coal-using public benefit from it. If opencast mining eventually takes place in his locality, it will be a profitable operation, designed to produce low-cost energy for the country with full environmental safeguards.

Yours faithfully,
DONALD DAVIES,
Chairman, Opencast Executive,
National Coal Board,
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Poor show in Canada at centenary exhibition

From Mr Alan Cookson

Sir, My wife, daughter and I have just returned from a motoring tour in the United States and Canada. On September 4 in Toronto, we were privileged to see the last day of the Canadian National Exhibition—a Centenary Exhibition, as it happened, and one that defied description.

On entering the Hall of Nations, however, we were saddened to see the English contribution—a small stand of some 20ft by 10ft, which appeared to offer for sale nothing more than copperware and aluminium pictures.

Understandably, the Iron Curtain countries presented a magnificent display, and the Philippines occupied, at a rough estimate, 30 to 40 times our floorspace. Thailand, Sri Lanka and numerous other countries eclipsed our stand in imagination and presentation.

We were ashamed for the first time on our holiday, and felt that a non-entry would have been less ignominious.

But what, one asks oneself, had our permanent staff in Canada been doing?

Why had they failed to convey to our manufacturers that this was a shopwindow that *should not* be missed?

Whilst it must be admitted that many British businessmen are slow to exploit overseas markets, it seems obvious from the small English entry that no great effort could have been made by our people on the spot to make what should have been an easy sell, and to convince our manufacturers that here was a golden opportunity to sell our products in a market that is favourably disposed to use.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN COOKSON,
5 Clitheroe Road,
Whalley,
Blackburn,
Lancashire.
September 19.

Controls staff welcome

From Mr G. F. Boniface

Sir, Having had considerable experience of investigating frauds, defalcations and cash losses, I read with interest Richard Nunns' article (Business News, September 18) and, in particular, his comments on internal control.

I do not disagree with his contention that excessive zeal in applying such controls can lead to the situation that he describes. However, in my view, proper internal controls, sensibly applied, not only protect the physical assets of a business but, more importantly, protect a businesses greatest asset, the staff.

So often weak or non-existent internal controls lead to situations where cash and assets are misappropriated and suspicion falls on the innocent and guilty alike. If anything is likely to cause low morale and loss of productivity, it is an atmosphere of suspicion and distrust amongst staff.

My message too is a simple one: devise effective controls, apply them sensibly and, above all, explain to management and staff, at all levels, why they are necessary. In my experience staff positively welcome this approach.

Yours faithfully,
G. F. BONIFACE.
1 Finches Park Road,
Lindfield,
Haywards Heath,
Sussex.
September 20.

Correcting misconceptions over widows' finances

From Mr Paul Lewis

Sir, Roger Beard's article (September 2) about the financial problems of widows contained a number of errors and misconceptions.

May I deal firstly with the errors?

Child Benefit for a widow claiming National Insurance Widowed Mother's Allowance is £2.30 a week not, as stated in the article, £3.30. The extra £1 Child Benefit Increase which is generally paid to lone parents on top of the standard Child Benefit of £2.30 is *not* payable to lone parents who receive a long-term social security benefit such as Widows' Benefit. It can be claimed by all other one-parent families but it is deducted in full from any short-term or supplementary benefit they may receive. So it is only of value to an estimated 350,000 to 400,000 lone parents who do not claim such a benefit. The majority of them are in full-time work. Only about 270,000 of these lone parents claim the extra £1 which, it should be pointed out, is only paid for the first child in the family.

Less importantly, "Child's special allowance" is a benefit paid to certain divorced women whose ex-husband has died. Roger Beard meant "dependant's allowance" which is £6.10 for the first six months of widowhood too, not £7.40, supplemented, of course, by the £2.30 Child Benefit.

Thirdly, there are certainly not "an estimated 225,000 (lone) parents". Revised Government figures for 1976 show that there were 750,000 lone parents in that year supporting 1.3 million children—one in nine of all families with children—and the number is growing at the rate of 6 per cent per year. The same figures show that there were 115,000 widows in 1976—a drop of 5,000 on 1971. Divorced and separated mothers form about 55 per cent of all lone parents and it is among the divorced that the most rapid growth in numbers occurring.

The article contained a fundamental misconception, summed up in your headline 'Widows get the Hardest Deal of All'. They do not. Among lone parents widowed mothers are a privileged class even though, compared to nearly all two-parent families they are most definitely poor.

Widows receive a State benefit which is not means-tested and which can therefore be supplemented by earnings. Very few widows claim supplementary benefit but over 330,000 one-parent families depend on this poverty line income for survival.

Had the lady in Roger Beard's article been divorced or a single mother she would have received a total of only £17.15 while living with her mother and a total of £18.60 plus £10 a week to pay for the rent when she moved to her own house. But any earning over £6 would have been deducted penny for penny from her benefit. And there would have been no extra during the first six months. Indeed, the Department of Health and Social Security are contemplating paying a lower rate of supplementary benefit for the first eight weeks on benefit. Nor would maintenance from her ex-husband have helped even if it had been promptly agreed and regularly paid. It would have been deducted penny for penny from her supplementary benefit.

Widows are not alone, either, in suffering from grief and depression. Marriage break-up and single parenthood bring their own equally emotional experiences. Widows are spared harrowing appearances before a court sitting to decide on the division of property and the care of the children. Studies of depression among women have shown that there is a high incidence of lone mothers of all types among those who are seriously ill.

I am not, of course, suggesting that widows on the whole are not badly off or not deserving of our care and concern—of course they are. But they do have an assured income from the State which they can supplement by earnings. Until such a benefit is extended to all one-parent families, widows will continue to be far luckier and better off than the other 635,000 lone mothers and fathers, most of whom would be glad to have an income which was high enough to be taxed.

Yours sincerely,
Paul Lewis,
Deputy Director,
National Council for One Parent Families,
255 Kentish Town Road,
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September 5.

Looking a state gift horse in the mouth

From Mr Frederick Polhill

Sir, Mr Mueller's grateful pr of the Department of Indu prompts some questions wider significance.

Would he have gone al with the development of electronic control system for model railways *without* Department of Industry's tributing to the "daunti costs involved?

If not, if it is a governm subsidy that makes the pro viable then is he not givin new, rather special meanin the word "competitive"?

If, on the contrary, he c have financed the project other non-governmental mo then was the governme (which is to say, our) mo being spent to best advanta

As a businessman Mr Mue would clearly be a juggins to collect whatever governm largesse he can. That's par a businessman's job nowada

But should it be?

FREDERICK POLHILL
Editor, Industrial Marketing Digest,
The Old Rectory,
Ranmore Common, Dorking

The importance of expansion

From Lord Balogh

Sir, The bankers and finar ministers of the world seem holster each other talking least guardedly optimistic while at the same time greet President Carter's surrender their insistence to keep dollar "sound" with equa guarded joy.

Do they not realize that was the United States def which kept the rest of us goi The "improvement" o United States balance of p ments will, inevitably, exer serious deflationary pressure the rest of us especially as larger part is due to the imp not of oil but of manufactur

Concerted action to achi expansion without inflation only possible if voluntary statutory incomes policies accepted. Without expansion are bound to get a bit struggle for markets and p tectionism.

Financial controls can o work through creating une ployment. Keynes's famo dictum applies "if they (t bankers) are saved it will be expect, in their own despite They were not then and Hitl emerged from obscurity obscene catastrophe. Let hope we shall not live to s a re-enactment of that unpar leled tragedy.

THOMAS BALOGH,
Balliol College, Oxford.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

A dilemma for the CSI

months ago the question of company n general, and insider trading in par- r, looked to have become an uncon- rsial, straightforward affair. There was, emed, little in the Government's July Paper to prompt disagreement in the and the only question was whether would be room in the legislative time- to push a bill through.

w, quite suddenly, company law has ne an issue again. To the Department ade's apparent surprise, Mr Nicholas ison, chairman of the Stock Exchange, announced that the Stock Exchange not like the legislative proposals. He allen short of saying there should be gislation on insider trading, but it is he rejects the central tenet of the e Paper that insider trading should ne a criminal offence. His main worry at the possibility of ultimate criminal edings would mean that those people presently cooperate freely in Stock ange investigations—brokers, jobbers, cial advisers and so on—would have ternative but to clam up.

e effect would be to frustrate, rather help the investigative process. In place e present tightly drafted proposals, the ange has now come round to the view something very loose, perhaps requiring more than that insiders should repay profits they might make to the company erned, is all that is required. It believes resent self-regulatory system is working and that the kind of problems encoun- d in dealing, say, with Swiss bank cy would be just as evident under a tory system incorporating criminal lity.

e Council for the Securities Industry, h is wedded to the principle of volun- supervision, has been looking at the tion of insider trading and, faced with prospect of a companies bill in the next on, must decide whether an early state- t is called for. The problem is that the ncil appears to be deeply split. Some, Lord Shawcross and the Takeover l, favour legislation to outlaw insider ing. Others, while not perhaps going ar as the Stock Exchange, think the ent proposals are too ambitious. The question this raises is how the City's watchdog will be viewed in the public if, on its first major public issue, it es incapable of presenting a united t. Inability to agree will be seized upon ly by those who argue that the City tsically unable to regulate itself. On the r hand, if it remains silent it could find ernment proceeding and its own stigation into insider trading left high dry.

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o sign of a nsumer 'boom'

upturn in consumer spending this year aking its time to percolate through from ilers to textile manufacturers. That adly is the unexciting picture that has en carried through Carrington Viyella's appointing figures six weeks ago into a l performance by Tootal as well in the t half.

Tootal's profits are down almost a tenth 8.04m and the setback would have been t more pronounced but for a £250,000 tribution from the Slimma acquisition. ading has seen a reversal of the pattern the last couple of years with the United ngdom side this time supported by a onger showing in the overseas companies ile exchange rates are responsible £309,000 of the £800,000 drop in profits. At home it has been the weakness of port markets rather than the competition m imports sucked in before and after e multi-fibre agreement, which has cut tile output for the industry as a whole around 5 per cent in the first half, that s done most of the damage. In addition e phasing out of the temporary employ ent subsidy has cost Tootal around £1¼m. Overseas however has seen the improve- ent in American Thread maintained while nada and Australia (helped by the reor- nization there more than the Bradmill quisition) leaving only Nigeria dragging heels where the ban on imports has been a major factor in curbing exports from this country.

Tootall is also taking a restrained line on the second half outlook as the doubts mount over the buoyancy of consumer spending and the difficulties of policing import quotas which should be starting to bite around now. The order book is still strong and so long as the final quarter lives up to expectations the group should push pre-tax profits up from £21.8m to £23-24m.

The snag about the shares is that textile groups are now well into their recovery phase and a fully taxed prospective p/e ratio of around 9 at 59½p despite the respectable yield of 8¼ per cent for Tootal holds few attractions when the slowdown is expected early in 1979. While the balance-sheet is not being harmed by working capital needs at the moment cash flow is not sufficient to fund the heavy spending programme and its acquisition ambitions.

● *Just when international bankers had been keeping their fingers crossed that the pressure on lending margins had finally come to an end comes the news that another borrower is trying to lever spreads down a further notch to a level where there is no possibility of a profit being made on the loan, especially when front-ended management fees are being pared to the bone as well.*

Electricite de France is reportedly trying to get a 10 year loan for $300m plus off the ground at a flat spread of ⅝ per cent over London inter-bank rates. Hitherto ½ per cent had been the nadir and even then most loans at this level were on a split basis with the rate rising to ¾ per cent after the first four years. Whether the French state-owned authority gets this is a moot point with the United States and United Kingdom banks holding aloof from these rock-bottom levels. But it is the Japanese banks who are now emerging as the spanner in the works with the Bank of Japan having more dollars than it knows what to do with. Yet again bankers are wondering what can bring an end to the rate-cutting war in international lending.

Foseco Minsep

Margins remain under pressure

After last year's profits setback Foseco Minsep has started to move forwards once again helped by the modest improvement in steel production. Exchange gains, however, are the reason for more than 3 points of the 9.6 per cent rise to £8.4m in interim profits, so despite a sales increase of almost 15 per cent to just under £100m, Foseco is still treading water.

The worst of the international steel recession may be over but signs of real recovery still seem some way off as reflected in continuing low demand, particularly for foundry products.

More worrying, however, is the fact that Foseco has now entered its sixth year of declining margins. An interim pre-tax profit margin of just over 8 per cent compares with nearly 9 per cent last year and over 12 per cent six years ago, when the group's marketing expertise led profits up from a £5m-£6m plateau.

In the teeth of growing international competition, Foseco is spending heavily on production efficiencies as leading customers become increasingly price sensitive particularly on the foundry chemicals front. Foseco's balance sheet strength of course is strong enough to stride through cash outflows like that of last year, but until there are signs of a real bounce in world trade the group's prospects are likely to remain dull.

Profits this year could rise to around £16.5m from last year's £14.2m aided by contracts from third world steel developments and an improved performance from the Fosroc construction division.

However, the shares at 172p offering a p/e ratio of around 10 and a 4.4 per cent yield remain vulnerable to doubts about recovery overseas and at home, particularly in view of the current pay tribulations of the car industry, which is one of the group's leading British customers.

Economic notebook

Growth no longer the target

Washington, September 27

At times it is hard to be sure whether this is the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund or a session with Dr Norman Vincent Peale on the power of positive thinking.

The public position of the meeting is optimism, which in itself is nothing new. What is new is that many of the finance ministers and officials here actually believe that things may at last be starting to get better.

Their reasons for doing so tell us much about the way in which the debate over the future of the world economy has changed in the past three years. It also shows that if you want to think positively it sometimes helps to disregard a few facts.

The basis of the optimism is that the adjustment process has at long last started to work. What this means is that the huge surpluses and deficits which have grown up in the past few years are beginning to even out under the impact of the exchange rate changes of recent years.

The forecasts differ, but all agree that the decline of the dollar will, by the first half of 1979, start to produce a dramatic reduction in the United States current account deficit. Few people are as optimistic as the IMF, which is suggesting that the deficit will be at an annual rate of only $7,500m, but all agree that the drop will be very large.

The first thing to notice about this approach is that it involves taking a step backward as far as the analysis of what is wrong is concerned.

Unemployment

Last year all the pressure was concentrated on achieving the sort of growth which would be consistent with reducing unemployment from its very high current levels. The strategies which were proposed, as for example the medium-term strategy of the OECD, involved setting a target for overall growth and then trying to break it down into national targets which would be consistent with an acceptable international payments outlook.

The approach did not work and degenerated into quite bitter criticism of the countries which turned out to have large surpluses, such as West Germany and Japan.

The order of thinking has now been reversed. Instead of a more equal share-out of payments adjustments being a rather tiresome condition which has to be met while attention is concentrated on achieving growth, a reduction of payments imbalances has now become the target.

Nowhere is this shown more clearly than in the paper presented by the fund's managing director, M Jacques de Larosiére, to the interim committee meeting on Sunday. That paper not merely contained forecasts of a sharp improvement in the American current account next year; it also contained proposals for what should be done between now and 1980.

The IMF's proposals, which for some inexplicable reason were meant to be kept secret, though Mr Healey referred in passing to the United Kingdom projection on Tuesday, are contained in the table below.

Growth is no longer the target being aimed at. The growth rate is now just an assumption built into the programme, though an assumption which the fund is very insistent should be met.

The aim of the game is now to produce the right figures in the last column of the table—which shows the projected current account balance position at the end of the period. For the United States the goal is to get into rough balance, for countries such as Germany and Japan it is to get down to as small a surplus (or even perhaps a deficit) as possible and for the United Kingdom and Italy the coal is to run a surplus in order to pay back some of the debts which they have incurred over the year.

The most striking thing about the way in which these current accounts come right is the dominant role of exchange rate changes as opposed to cyclical developments. This is important for two reasons.

The first is that it shows the risk that things will in fact turn out significantly worse in practice than they are projected to do in theory. The actual estimates about the relative cyclical positions involve, as de Larosiére admits in his written report, some pretty heroic assumptions.

They imply a willingness by the Americans to accept slow growth in the two years immediately preceding an election, with an implicit acceptance that unemployment may well rise. They also involve acceptance by the Germans and the Japanese of a growth rate significantly above what they look likely to achieve even after their latest round of stimulatory measures.

Even with these assumptions, the cyclical movements make relatively little positive contribution to the adjustment process; they merely do not do anything positively harmful.

It is no wonder that the fund is so firm on the need for the Americans to toughen up and the Germans and others to go on expanding. As de Larosiére freely admits, for his scenario to come about, there will still need to be significant policy shifts in a number of countries.

There is, he says, no reason to assume that "the present course of policies in industrial countries will lead to substantial improvement in world economic conditions over the next few years", so reports of the end of economic problems may be as premature as they are exaggerated.

The second thing which shows up from the table is the incredible morass of confusion into which the finance ministers of the world have got themselves over floating exchange rates. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Denis Healey, certainly caught their mood when he said that floating rates are looked on less euphorically now than they were two years ago. Everyone agrees that it would be nice to have more stability in the foreign exchange markets and, indeed, that is one of the great benefits which the reduction in the United States deficit is supposed to bring about. A strong dollar is the goal of everyone.

Yet the reduction of the current account deficit which everyone is so pleased about is being caused, if it is happening, overwhelmingly as a result of the parity changes which everybody seems to dislike so much. Of the $13,500m improvement being forecast for the United States $10,500m is expected to come from the working through of the parity changes.

The danger is that 1979 might be the year in which the Americans nosedive and the Europeans find that a rising dollar brings problems for them in the form of rapidly increasing commodity prices and the imported inflation which comes with that.

Hypnotized

The truth of the matter is that the finance ministers have become so hypnotized by short-term developments that they have lost sight of the two major issues facing the world economy over the coming years, issues which were, however, spelled out with characteristic perception by Mr Healey in his speech to the fund meeting. These problems are that the world monetary system is no longer sustainable in its current form but nobody is willing to take the decisions to create a new one and that growth is going to continue to be so slow as to pose severe internal problems for the major industrial economies.

The monetary system relies on the central role of the dollar at a time when indeed, no single currency can continue to support that role. The proposal for setting up a European monetary system (EMS) is a partial recognition of this, but it is the wrong solution at the wrong time.

The growth problem will be even more difficult. There is a lot of debate about whether the growth rates which are either expected or desired will cause unemployment to rise or whether it might start to fall. That debate is about what the Chancellor likes to call the changing output employment ratio, but what less sophisticated people usually call productivity.

It might be that the productivity performance of the industrial world will be so bad in the coming years that slow growth is consistent with little change in unemployment, though that does not do much for the very large number of people already out of work. But if that happens, it will mean that all of us will see much sharper internal conflicts about the share-out of a cake which will not be getting bigger fast enough.

David Blake

WHAT THE IMF WOULD LIKE TO SEE

	Assumed growth rate of real GNP (1) 1978/1979-80 (per cent at annual rates)	Current balance in 1977	Adjustment for: Temporary disturbances	Fall in Opec surplus (2)	Recent relative price changes	Cyclical developments	Underlying current balance	Official transfers in 1977	Underlying current balance including official transfers
			(Billions (1,000m) US dollars, rounded to nearest half billion)						
Canada	4	5	— 4	—	3	—	−0.5	—	−0.5
United States	4	3.5	−12.5	0.5	10.5	−0.5	1	−3	−1.5
Japan	6	7	11	—	− 9.5	−4.5	−0.5	—	−0.5
France	3	4.5	— 2	0.5	1	2.5	1.5	−1.5	2.5
Germany	2.75	4	8	0.5	2	− 2.5	−2.5	5.5	1.5
Italy	2.5	3.5	3	−0.5	1	− 1.5	2.5	−4.5	1.5
United Kingdom	3.25	3.5	2	—	6.5	− 2	−0.5	6	4
Other industrial countries	2	4.5	— 9	1	5	— 0.5	1.5	−2.5	−1.5	−4
All industrial countries	3.75	4.5	— 3	1.5	22	—	−2.5	18	−13	5

1. The estimated rates of growth of potential GNP (or GDP) in real terms for the period 1978-80 are as follows: Canada 4.5, United States 3.5, Japan 5 5, France 4, Germany 3, Italy 3.5, United Kingdom 3 and other industrial countries 3.25, implying an average for all industrial countries of 3.75-4 per cent.
2. The calculations presented here assume no change in the real price of oil from the 1978 level. The estimates for the United Kingdom and Norway include special adjustments of $5,000m and $3,000m, respectively, reflecting the expected balance of payments effects of North Sea oil.

Pragmatic approach to accounting standards



Mr Tom Watts, chairman of the Accounting Standards Committee and head of the review group whose report is published today.

The accountancy profession began the long process of codification—of making sure that it was seen to be doing its job—at the beginning of the seventies, a time full of controversy about its role and competence.

This process has advanced on three fronts: the search for a realistic way of incorporating inflation into financial reporting, providing an accountant's code of conduct and formulating accounting standards.

The characteristic problem of all three has been the need to avoid either flabbiness or inflexibility. On the one hand more scandals following excessively lax rulings would lead to the threat of government intervention, while on the other too much rigidity would incur resentment. Besides that there simply does not exist an agreed precise and authoritative definition of what accountancy is for.

The attempt by some parts of the accountancy establishments to lay down the law on standards met its nemesis when the backwoodsmen of accountancy voted down the Morpeth inflation accounting proposals (ED 18). Evolution has now firmly supplanted revolution as the best way forward.

The latest evolutionary developments is the publication today of "Setting Accounting Standards: a consultative document" by a review group

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set up by the Accounting Standards Committee. The ASC itself was set up in 1969-70 soon after the vexed question of AEI's disputed profit figures arose during the GEC takeover.

It aimed to narrow down the possible ways in which accounts could differ by gradually issuing Statements of Standard Accounting Practice (SSAP). The first step was an exposure draft (discussion document), which was brought out after consultations and research, followed by further consultation and finally the issue of an SSAP.

So far the Accounting Standards Committee has published 22 exposure drafts and 14 SSAPs.

There has been a succession of criticisms, the most telling being over the committee's failure to produce SSAPs on inflation accounting and on the treatment of mergers and acquisitions; its failure to explain itself sufficiently; and its lack of consistency because of the complete absence of a conceptual framework.

It was against this background that the review group headed by Mr Tom Watts, the ASC chairman and a partner in Price Waterhouse, was set up in January. Its report is emphatically a discussion document, but is perhaps the most important statement to date on changes in the profession.

The principal aim is to reconcile its central view that standards are necessary with the hard fact that no "agreed conceptual framework" exists on which to base those standards. In the absence of that framework standards must have a basis in some kind of consensus. The approach is described as "pragmatic and experimental".

Broadly, that entails more and wider consultation within and outside the profession. There is an obvious enough political constraint in that another rebellion along the lines of the ED 18 debacle would be a considerable embarrassment. But there is also the tacit admission that the review group is no more capable of fixing the best compromise between technical accuracy and common sense judgment than anybody else.

In the United States the Financial Accounting Standards Board has been seduced by the claims of the arithmetic approach with the resultant spectacular effects on the profits of oil companies in particular due to strict rules on currency translations — Shell's net income in one quarter was cut by £280m to £6m.

In contrast the Securities and Exchange Commission has taken the "soft" line that usable information is the important commodity—common sense would tell us that Shell had not done that badly in the period.

But the United States is different in one key respect—all standards are enforceable by a government agency (the SEC) with the effective sanction of a refusal to register non-conforming companies.

In this country the accountancy bodies have no real powers. Accounts can be qualified and generally not much more happens. Government backing is constitutionally difficult and psychologically unacceptable.

The constitutional problem is that legal power could hardly be granted to rules laid down by an extra-governmental body, though something like this is being attempted in Canada. The psychological problem is that legislation is cumbersome and too definitive for evolutionary-minded accountants. Besides, self-regulation is still a cherished ideal.

The accountants therefore naturally turned to the Stock Exchange which could brandish the threat of de-listing at public companies, but it has declined to become involved. It does not want a job that could become very large indeed and involve it in suspending the shares of too many companies for comfort.

So the newly-formed Council for the Securities Industry has been suggested for this role. This is a long shot and Mr Watts admits that the body is too young and untested to come up with any definite response to the suggestion. For the time being this is a major failing: no sanctions exist for erring companies and no body exists which is definitely willing to take on the responsibility.

Against this background the review group's insistence that standards must be not merely benchmarks from which deviations can simply be noted would begin to look dangerously hollow as standards became more comprehensive and significant factors in corporate life.

In fairness, however, the group has achieved something significant in its reiteration of the importance of standards, their universal applicability, the need for wider and more public consultation and its admission that the definition of the function of accounts has yet to be found.

Business Diary: Bankers at work and play

ans Maehoefer, West Ger- any's finance minister, who is Washington for the IMF nual conference, was pleased his week to receive an invita- on from the Ivory Coast dele- ation, as he did not know any- ne in that part of Africa.

The invitation was addressed b "The minister, the German epublic", but it turned out, fter investigation, that the vitation was really intended r officials from the German emocratic Republic, not the ederal Republic of Germany.

The West German did not go, nd whether or not he handed ver the invitation to his East erman cousins is not recorded.

President Carter showed up t the annual meeting to make ne of the most dismal speeches f his career. The applause from he roughly 3,500 officials from ome 100 countries and the rivate bankers at most was epid.

The Arabs were in Washing- on in large numbers and the President may have been un- diplomatic in praising the Prime Ministers of Israel and Egypt—but, then, the Jewish ote in the United States is bigger than that of the Arabs.

The conference is taking place in the massive Sheraton Park Hotel, which for the dura- tion of the conference has been designated a diplomatic mission. Armed guards stand at every door, while plain clothes men with pistols, earphones and walkie-talkies, seem to be every- where.

Well almost everywhere, they made an effort on Tuesday night to remain out of the way as the Secretary to the Treasury, Michael Blumenthal, hosted the most spectacular reception of the week at the new £70m east wing of the National Gallery of Art.

This do is traditionally held at the almost equally spectacu- lar Smithsonian science and technology museum, but even George Shultz, the former Sec- retary of the Treasury, admitted that Tuesday's reception was the best he had ever attended.

Another former Treasury chief, William Simon, may have had a few doubts. In economical mood a few years ago, Simon decided that the reception should be given at the Treasury Department rather than at the Smithsonian and the result was a disaster.

Aware of this, Blumenthal sought last year to host a recep- tion at the Washington Hilton, but his assistants forgot to invite the wives of IMF dele- gates. Having catered for some 2,000, the Treasury chief found himself with vast amounts of food on his hands, when only 400 or so people showed up.

In between the eating and drinking West Germany's central bank president, Otmar Emminger, has been telling all and sundry that the new Euro- pean monetary system is a great idea. One explanation for this unusual enthusiasm is that his term at the Bundesbank ends late next year and that the Chancellor, Helmut Schmidt, is soon to pick the new president. Emminger wants his term ex- tended by two years and is said to be doing all he can to make himself popular with Schmidt.

His key rival for the post, Otto Poehl, vice-president of the Bundesbank, is also doing all he can to keep in favour in Bonn. The result: the Bundesbank is proving very helpful over Schmidt's European monetary policies.

The unsung star of this year's meeting is without doubt Denis Healey. The American press love him, finding his wit and bluntness refreshing after Blumenthal's earnestness.

The Chancellor is in the lime- light not least because he is chairman of the interim com- mittee of ministers of the IMF. He held a press conference on Sunday, preceded President Carter in addressing the annual meeting on Monday, gave another press conference on Tuesday and constantly seems to be just in the right place at the right time to meet all the foreign officials and bankers who want to get his autograph —and this time not on a loan application.



All India Management Association's Prem Pandhi in London yesterday.

■ If we in Britain think we have problems, we could do worse than look at India, where there are about 22 million un- employed and 10 million new jobs are needed annually. The ways in which managers in this and other developing countries are tackling problems on this scale will be outlined at the World Council of Management congress to be held in New Delhi in December.

There might be lessons there for western industrialists, but Prem Pandhi, who is chairman of the All India Management Association and is in London to promote the congress reports that out of the total delegate list of about 1,000, only 300 are from outside the Third World.

A problem with the United Kingdom is that the British In- stitute of Management is no longer a member of the World Council, having withdrawn in 1975. While not overtly criti- cising BIM, Pandhi does point out gently that the developing countries, in particular India, need all the support they can get.

Pandhi, who is also chairman of Cadbury India, says that highly industrialized western- trained businessmen frequently do not understand why their mechanized production methods are not always welcomed. The message from Third World man- agers at the conference, he says, will be that human welfare and quality of life need to go hand in hand with economic develop- ment.

A similar view is being preached in the boardrooms of the large multinationals here, but Pandhi wonders whether this has yet reached the mana- gers who have to implement it.

■ Cheap flights and hard Deutsche marks have made the West German shopper a fairly ubiquitous creature in the city centres of Europe for some years.

But over the past six months a reverse flow of motorized bargain hunters has built up in the direction of West Ger- many, particularly towns along the Swiss border.

The seemingly unstoppable rise of the Swiss franc to more than one and a quarter marks brings weekly congestion to the shopping towns of southern Baden Württemberg and howls of complaint from the deserted Swiss traders just south of the border.

Further north travellers from Belgium, Holland and Denmark seem to be doing more and more of their shopping in the Federal Republic where rock bottom inflation and lower consumer taxes can make a big difference to prices in the shops.

So brisk is this trade that it even warranted a mention in the latest Bundesbank monthly report.

However, it has yet to pro- duce a change in Germany's archaically restricted shopping hours. The impossibility of buying anything on a normal Saturday afternoon defeats the keenest customer.

Reader K. A. Scarrp, of Chel- tenham, has sent in this E. J. Thribb-style comment on a recent Business Diary story about sales of kayaks to Eskimos:

So. They have sold Kayaks
To Eskimos.
Well, why not.
British was always best.
The only thing is—
Have the optional extras
Been stuck on properly.
I do hope
They've used i-glue.

Ross Davies

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Interim Results for the six months ended 30th June 1978

	Six months unaudited to 30th June 1978 £000	Six months unaudited to 30th June 1977 £000	Year audited to 31st Dec. 1977 £000
Sales outside the Group	99,991	87,243	174,986
Profit before tax	8,356	7,625	14,316
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	4,011	3,797	7,189
Amount of dividend	972	867	2,100
Earnings per ordinary share	8.7p	8.3p	15.7p
Dividend per ordinary share	2.1100p	1.8900p	4.5761p

Group sales in all sectors are above the corresponding period in 1977. Although the level of world trade has remained depressed, there has been a modest improvement in steel production in many countries and this has benefitted our steelworks sector. On the other hand, demand for our foundry products reflects the depressed state of that industry in many parts of the world. Progress of the Fosroc sector continues to be encouraging.

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Stock markets

Winter omens keep market at low ebb

As Tokyo surged to new heights it was once again largely a do-nothing day in the market at home. And the morale of the people who make it is falling. The Chancellor's optimism about the economy and the Government's apparent determination to control inflation encouraged one or two buyers first thing and so continue Tuesday's late recovery.

It came to nothing. People worry about another oil price rise. The Ford chairman's bitterness towards the unions and their "broken promises", TUC advice to the Government to give itself some flexibility, and support for the carmen from other workers suggest that the market really is in for a winter of labour discontent.

The pending Labour Party conference may also make the atmosphere more heated. For the moment these are simply fears, and any sign of a Ford settlement could start shares rising sharply. Meanwhile they drift as dealers lower prices in an attempt to generate business.

The mood was even more miserable in gilt-edged. The August improvement in the United States balance of payments helped the dollar. This in turn takes the return on United States government bonds more attractive, and the chances of 10 per cent primes soon are increasing.

There is also an impression that the United Kingdom authorities will have to get on with funding soon at lower prices than now. Losses in gilt-edged securities ranged from an ⅜ in shorts to 1¼ in longs.

Leading equities again gave ground and the fall in the *FT* index deepened as the day went by. After opening 0.8 up it eventually closed as many as 8.2 points down at 506.0. At 2 pm it was only 4.8 off, indicating the drop in confidence in the final minutes of business. Bargains marked crept up from 5,159 to 5,491, but most observers again saw no sizable selling.

EMI were notably weak, shedding 9p to 146p more on puzzlement over Sir John Read's pessimism at Tuesday's launch of a new range of scanners. Some brokers were, however, buying the stock, reasoning that everyone knows the profits will be bad but that the dividend will probably be maintained.

ICI mirrored the mood with a 2p drop to 392p and other leaders to follow suit included Rank which shed 4p to 260p and John Brown. This stock has had a wonderful rise from 98p at one time last year and gave a further 14p to 448p.

Vickers fell 4p to 194p, ahead of its interim bulletin today and Arthur Bell shed 6p to 250p still on the recent official revision of profit possibilities this year. GEC fell 3p to 324p and Racal dropped 8p to 320p.

But even Racal has buyers on the theory that profits will grow by around 35 per cent this year and that the annual brokers' meeting on December 6 will hear news of further moves into defence electronics.

Financials as usual came in for marking down. In banks Barclays Bank gave up 7p to 333p and National Westminster the same amount to 255p. Midland fell 10p to 340p but Lloyds conceded only 2p to 255p.

In discount houses Union shed 5p to 308p and among composite insurances Royal lost 7p to 355p and Commercial Union 5p to 145p. In brokers Sedgewick Forbes stood out with a 10p loss to 435p still on worries that it will lose business to C. T. Bowring, now linking with Marsh and Maclennan the United States.

Interest rate worries influenced properties, as in Land Securities down 3p at 239p and Stock Conversion, 2p off at 268p.

But there were one or two bright spots, Glaxo, with figures coming Monday week put on a further 9p to 627p and ICL was good for a 10p gain to 430p. At least three brokers, Scott Goff, Spencer Thornton, and Wood Mackenzie have "buy" circulars out, all projecting big increases in profits.

Among engineerings sensitive to the motor industry Lucas fell 8p to 314p and Associated Engineering gave up 3p to 114p. Jonas Woodhead was the same amount down at 105p.

Adverse press comment on Gulf contractors had Taylor Woodrow 8p down at 448p. A rights issue fears took 6p to 118p off Barrett Developments.

Startrite Engineering were 10p ahead at 128p on a 56 per cent rise in profits, but Alpine Holdings shed a 1p to 76½p on its 200 per cent profits jump. Growth halted at C & W Walker sent the shares down 8p to 124p.

Gold shares gave ground—the dollar has strengthened against bullion—and worries about the United States decision to authorize sales of tin from the stockpile took a few pence off leading tins. A share sale in Ashton, the Western Australian diamond wonder, was enough to hoist Rio Tinto-Zinc 7p to 247p.

Equity turnover on September 26 was £83m (17,570 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph were EMI, RTZ, ICI, Barratt Developments, Shell, GEC, Marks and Spencer, and Bowater besides Glaxo, ICL and Sime Darby.

Armstrong Equipment has not proved immune to the depression induced by the Ford closure but were only 1p down at 58p yesterday. After profits of £4m in the six months there are high hopes for £8.5m to £9m for the full year, against £5.8m. Equally interesting, the group has a new official broker in Laing & Cruickshank. It used to be James Capel whose Mr Bruce Maude recently left the Armstrong board.

Smiths Industries shed 4p to 215p yesterday, not the best day for motor industry suppliers. After a strike-troubled first half-year there will be no surprise in lower full-year profits. Indeed some are saying that for the full year to July 31 next profits will recover to around £30m. In 1976-77 they were £20.5m. But others maintain that interest charges, among other things, will keep profits in 1978-79 down to around £27m.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Alpine Hldgs (I)	11.65(7.39)	0.72(0.22)	3.16(1.05)	1.34(0.82)	—	—(2.47)
Amal Stores (F)	0.27(0.15)	0.017c(0.022c)	0.13c(0.41c)	—(—)	—	—(—)
A. Beckman (F)	16.3(17.3)	1.8(1.9)	8.56(9.35)	3.21(3.08)	—	4.98(4.83)
Campari (F)	15.02(13.3)	1.75(1.64)	29.15(28.9)	d(0.83)	—	1.99(1.8)
Foseco Minsep (I)	99.9(87.2)	8.3(7.6)	8.7(8.3)	2.11(1.89)	5/1	—(4.57)
Hanimex (F) (b)	115.1(110.3)	2.63(6.16)	—(—)	3.5(3.5)	1/12	7(6.5)
Jersey Elec (I)	—(—)	1.07(0.8)	—(—)	4(4)	14/11	—(11)
Jove Inv (I)	—(—)	0.2e(—)	1.42(—)	1.7(1.7)	28/11	—(3.5)
Legal & Gen (I)	—(—)	9.5(9.6)	5.48(4.86)	2.26(2.05)	2/1	—(5.71)
Manders (I)	—(—)	1.54(1.2)	—(—)	0.9(0.82)	20/11	—(2.54)
Prov Insurance (I)	—(—)	1.68(2.98)	10.67(18.45)	6.57(5.88)	31/10	—(13.0)
Startrite Eng (F)	5.28(3.72)	0.63(0.41)	25.02(21.2)	2.49(2.28)	—	3.89(3.48)
Thomson T-Line (I)	2.11(2.17)	0.12c(0.058)	2.92c(1.46)	1.65(1.65)	8/1	—(3.3)
Th'morton Grwth (F)	—(—)	0.34(0.29)	2.13(1.73)	1.38(1.26)	2/11	2.0(1.87)
Tootal (I)	194.4(180.5)	8.03(8.83)	—(—)	1.0(0.9)	5/1	—(2.72)
C. & W. Walker (I)	3.23(2.74)	0.33(0.33)	8.96(11.02)	2.75(2.5)	—	6.6a(6.0)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.49. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. a Forecast. b Dollars and cents. c Loss. d Scrip issue proposed. e Net.

Campari lifts dividend by 65% through series of scrips

By Rosemary Unsworth

Campari leisure group fulfilled its promise to shareholders made last year of beating dividend controls and has devised a scheme to increase dividends by 65 per cent. Pre-tax profit increased by 6 per cent to £1.75m for the year to May 31.

The company is proposing a one-for-ten scrip issue with an amalgamation of the 'B' ordinary shares with ordinary shares so they will rank for dividends for 1978-79. A second scrip issue is also proposed of one new 2p cumulative preference share for every 10 ordinary shares. This issue will pay an annual dividend of 14.9p gross to be converted after three years into ordinary shares on the basis of one ordinary for every ten preference shares.

The scheme is the second capital reorganization by Campari during the years of dividend restraint. Last year the group issued a one-for-six 'B' share scrip. Market reaction after the announcement pushed preference shares up a few pence to 129p while ordinary shares fell 5p to 131p at one stage on profit taking.



Mr Gabriel Benscher

Mr. Gabriel Benscher, chairman, said the scheme was unique and "should dividend restraint come off during the current year, we would wish to pay at least the same 65 per cent increase for 1978-79. If on othe other controls are not ended, alternative ways of rewarding shareholders will be explored", he promised. The group paid the maxim mitted dividend incre ordinary shares wit interim of 3.02p gross.

On the company's ass of a nil tax charge the cover is nine, includ preference shares, said director Mr M. Saide would like the cover reduced to three.

The group's small inc pre-tax profits, compar last year's rise of 86 p was accounted for by of expansion into We many, the purhase of n don headquarters and duction move from Ja softer currency area Benscher said that some early financial were expected from the ments, new staff may b sary to "maximize the f return of our programs Campari already ope Sweden, Holland and Fr well as the United K and it believes the market will soon t British contribution, United Kingdom down to about 33 per the total.

Alpine's sparkling opening

By Ray Maughan

Alpine Holdings, the double glazing and replacement window specialist run by Mr James Gulliver and much of the team that controls Gulliver Associates, made pre-tax profits of £720,000 against £223,000 in the 27 weeks to August 6.

However, several adjustments must be made, reflecting the many changes effected by the new management, to determine the real rate of organic growth. The comparable results were blighted by losses of £149,000 on the subsequently discontinued industrial window operations and £89,000 start up losses on the Debenhams retail link. On the other hand, they were boosted by profits of £109,000 from associates since sold. Profits this time have been augmented by the first contribution of £208,000 from Dolphin Showers, which suggests that Alpine's original and maintained operations achieved an improvement of around 44 per cent. The target this year could be about £1.75m pre-tax and earnings of 8p.

Dolphin, acquired last April, is expected to make a strong showing in the remainder of the year. The dominant Alpine (Double Glazing) subsidiary climbed 54 per cent to £637,000 pre-tax on a 27 per cent sales rise and there should be more to come from retail selling through Debenhams since the value of recently negotiated arrangement with the chain only came through last 10 weeks of the period.

Alpine sees no sign slackening in the co boom, and while any squ top-up mortgage supply i as a brake on growth pr the group believes that ance house sector can an adequate flow of alte funds.

Fitted bedroom fu admittedly operating on low profits base of £58.0 tax against just £20,000, also attain sharply high fits.

The gross interim d is increased from 1.25p per share.

Fire claims, storm losses check Legal & Gen

General underwriting losses at Legal & General rose from £900,000 to £3.6m in the first of this year, mainly as a result of heavy fire claims and increased storm losses in the United Kingdom.

As a result pre-tax profits shaded down from £9.6m to £9.5m despite a 25 per cent investment income jump to £9.9m and higher long-term life and pensions business profits.

After the inclusion of long-term profits of £4.2m against £3.9m after tax, attributable profits are up from £7m to £7.9m.

United Kingdom life business rose by more than 30 per cent in the first half of the year

The interim dividend gots up from 3.1p to 3.38p gross.

Solvay Group in 34.7pc drop

Net earnings from Industrial activity of Solvay SA declined about 35 per cent to 1,237m Belgian francs in the first half of 1978. The chemical company reported Wednesday.

Sales at this chemical group rose 11.3 per cent to 51,980m francs in the first half.

The administrative council decided to pay an unchanged interim dividend of 70 francs per class A bearer shares and class B registered shares both fully paid, and an unchanged net of 28 francs per class C registered shares that are 40 per cent paid.

Industrial activity of the Solvay group during the first half was marked by a slow improvement in the order situation and a normalization of inventories at customers' level Solvay said.

Fall of 57pc at Hanimex

Although sales of Hanimex Corporation rose from $AT10.3m to $A115.1m, pre-tax profits of the Australian photographic equipment group fell 57 per cent to $A2.62m—about £1.5m. The dividend is, however, being raised from 6.5 cents to 7 cents.

The board says that while trading conditions continue to be difficult, and trading uncertainties remain, the board is confident that the problems evident in 1978 have been identified, and are being overcome. Marketing plans are now being implemented, and are expected to assist the current year's performance.

Hunt in talks with Sunshine Mining

Hunt International Resources announced that preliminary proposals are being discussed with management of Sunshine Mining for a possible combination of the two corporations.

In the course of these discussions Hunt International said it has questioned the viability of the settlement agreement with Sunshine reached in October, 1977, wherein a proposal subject to various conditions would be made by April, 1979, to Sunshine public shareholders at $15.00 per Sunshine share payable in cash, securities or a combination.

Options

The misery of the main market spread to the traded options pitch and only 419 contracts were arranged, the lowest since August 9, and well below to break even point for those who make up the pitch. As many as 111 of the options done were in EMI ahead of the year's figures and dividend. Grand Metropolitan Hotels trailed with 40 option contracts. Things were a bit busier in conventional options. In fortnightlies doubles were completed in EMI.

Dalton recommends Carpenter bid

The board of Dalton Cros Holdings said it will recommend shareholders accept an increased offer of $A1.67½ per share from W. R. Carpenter Holdings for the 63.8 per cent of Dalton's issued capital of 10.59m shares not previously held.

Dalton has until now opposed Carpenter's bid which began at $1.40 a share in May and was lifted to $1.60 in late August.

Carpenter declared the bid unconditional with its holding at 73.8 per cent after the first revised bid speeded up the flow of acceptances.

Shareholders who accepted earlier bids will receive the $1.67½ a share.—Reuter.

JFB again steps up Weston offer

By Desmond Quigley

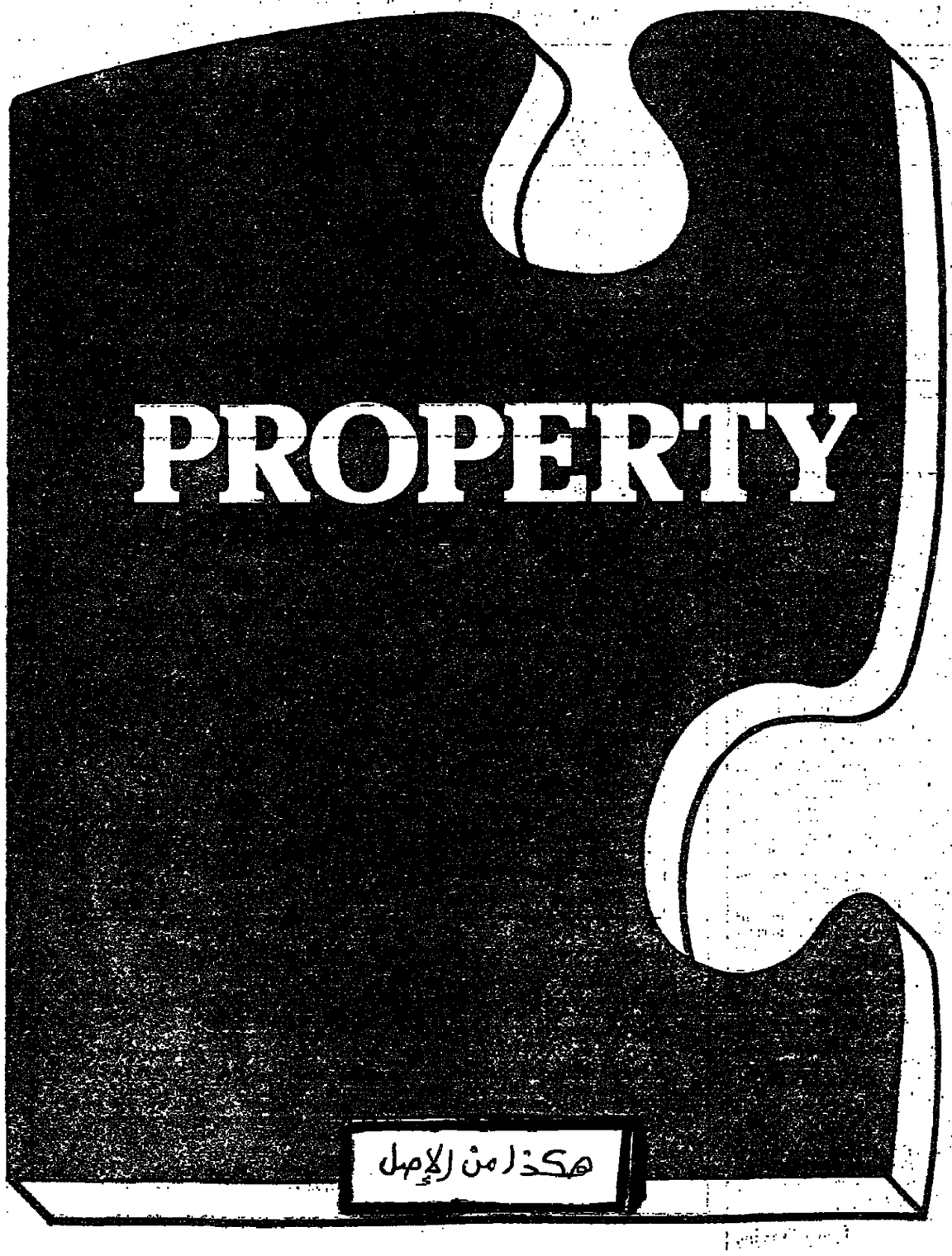
Prospects of a substantial minority shareholder remaining in Weston-Evans has forced Johnson & Firth Brown to increase its offer for the company for the second time in two days despite the fact that the bid had gone unconditional under the earlier terms.

JFB yesterday raised the value of the bid from 165.25p a share to 168.95p a share, an increase of 3.7p, in order to secure the irrevocable acceptance of the 42 per cent stake owned by Birmingham & Midlands Counties Trust.

Mr. Graham Ferguson Lacy, who with Mr Cecil McBride controls BMCT, said from New York yesterday that he considered the earlier revised offer inadequate and would have been prepared to remain in Weston despite the fact that JFB had gained a controlling interest of 52.4 per cent.

Mr R. G. Hardie, a JFB director, said yesterday that having a large minority share would have been an adm tive inconvenience and t company, after it had approached by Mr Fer representatives, had cons it worth paying a highe for complete control.

The bid values Weston at £9m and gives BMCT a of approximately £1.2m investment. The full ter the bid are £17 cash and 2 shares for every 20 W shares.



NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

TRW Overseas Finance N.V.

8¼% Guaranteed Debentures Due 1986

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture Dated as of October 15, 1971 among TRW Overseas Finance N.V., TRW Inc., and The Chase Manhattan Bank (National Association), as Trustee, $1,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of the above captioned Debentures will be redeemed through operation of the Sinking Fund on October 15, 1978 (the Redemption Date) at the principal amount thereof (the Redemption Price) together with accrued interest to said Redemption Date.

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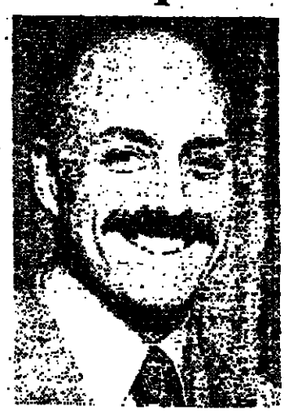
Tail order division thrives
Littlewoods 28 pc climb

Rosemary Unsworth

...ttlewoods Organisation, the ...ate football pools, mail ...r and chain store giant, ...ved a 28 per cent increase ...re-tax profits to £46.8m for ... year to December 31.

...he improvement was on the ... of a 22 per cent rise in ... retail sales to £692m. ... order had its best year ... Its sales rose by 26 per ... to £435m while national ... order retailing increased only 14 per cent, ...rding to Mr Peter Moores, ...rman, who took over last ... from his father John, the ...der of the biggest family-...rolled private company in ...ain. Chain store sales ...eased by 17 per cent to ...7m.

...he pools operation is ...uded in partnership profits ...£16.6m, and although the ...p does not declare pools ...ft it is estimated to be ...ut £5.5m on turnover of ...3m. The wholesale division, ...ch sells to Littlewoods retail outlets, is also included in partnership profits.



Mr Peter Moores, chairman of Littlewoods Organization.

Mr Moores says in his annual report to staff that the mail order division increased its market share during the year from 26.4 per cent to 27.7 per cent. But the chain stores were hit by the supermarket price-cutting war and a drop in the general standard of living. "We lost ground during the summer, particularly compared with the high sales during 1976. The general depression in the economy meant that this situation continued into the autumn."

The company is aiming for growth in both divisions this year, although retail sales are still depressed. It will be coupled with a £20m building programme which will increase the number of stores by four to 110, and create 1,600 new jobs.

An interim dividend of about 0.017p a share has been declared for 1977 for ordinary shareholders, amounting to £188,000, and the board said there would be no further dividend as the company needs to retain its reserves for the maintenance and development of the business.

Startrite breakthrough puts gloss on shares

By Ray Maughan

A one-for-one scrip and the issue of four £1 10½ per cent net cumulative preference shares for every 15 shares currently held will confer trustee status on Startrite Engineering Group.

There has been little in the track record of the machinery manufacturer since its market debut in 1969 to attract much institutional support, but a breakthrough to a distinct profits peak in the year to end June last might signal the start of more enquiry from the funds.

The shares climbed 10p to 128p in a very dull market yesterday after a 53 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £633,000. Startrite no longer provides in full for deferred tax and, after a charge of £260,000 against £94,000, stated earnings a share amount to 25.02p against the adjusted level of 21.2p share. On a full tax charge, attributable profits would have been the equivalent of 19.51p against 13.54p a share.

After a transfer of deferred tax to reserve and a revaluation of land and buildings, net asset backing is increased from 76.1p to 168p a share or 71p a share after the capitalization issues.

The profit improvement appears to have been spread across the range of Startrite's activities and if there has been a weak spot it was noticed in the special purpose equipment for aero engines but Mr W. R. Bruce, chairman, expects demand here to pick up in the near future.

Shareholders, who include board members with around 65 per cent of the equity, are to receive the maximum permitted gross total dividend of 5.8909p per share.

Margins on mend hoist Manders

Recovering margins and volume growth of around 7½ per cent in the United Kingdom paints division provided the impetus for an advance of almost a fifth to an interim profits peak of £1.54m pre-tax at Manders, the Wolverhampton-based paints, inks and property group.

The overseas division still faces problems in Australia, however, where profits were depressed by industrial action and rising costs in a static market. And the inks' contribution was mostly sluggish despite the apparent consumer boom. The empirical reason for this anomaly, Mr G. Norman, chairman, suggests is the rise in pre-packaged imports.

Rental income from the shoping complex and the two office blocks in the centre of Wolverhampton amounted to £242,000 and this stands to rise substantially from the first reviews in March 1980.

The terms of the top-tier leaseback with Prudential Assurance are complicated but it appears that much of the reversionary benefit will come through to Manders and hoist rental income to about £1.5m annually. A professional revaluation at the last balance sheet date showed assets of 112.9p per share against a share price of 101p, up 2p yesterday.

The net interim dividend is raised by a tenth to 0.904p, equivalent to 1.349p gross per share.

Briefly

WILLIAMSON TEA HLDGS

Difficult to forecast prospects for current year except that these will be commensurate with tea prices, writes chairman, world supply and demand appears to be in reasonable balance but rates of export tax are relevant. While downturn in profits likely, if remittances resumed from India it should be possible to maintain dividend in future.

PIRELLI GEN CABLE

Sales half year to June 30 £45.49m (£42.9m). Pre-tax profit £3.37m (£2.99m). Deduct extraordinary item nil (£477,000). Int £980,000 (nil). Retained £1,277,000 (£1,443,000). Provision has been made for the settlement with the Post Office for cable supplied between 1963 and 1974.

CAMPBELL & ISHERWOOD

Pr-tax profit for half year to June 30 £226,000 (£287,000). Reduced profit reflects more difficult trading conditions in marine field. This level of profit to be maintained in second half.

NORWEST HOLST

Offer to acquire for cancellation all the outstanding £1,667m 7 per cent convertible loan stock 1984 has closed. Acceptances totalled £1.48m of stock.

READROOK INVST TRUST

Pre-tax profit for year to May 31 was £60,400 (£29,200). Earnings a share were 1.6p (1.1p). Final dividend is 0.99p gross (same) making total of 1.83p gross (1.54p gross).

NORMAN HAY

Turnover for half year to June 30, £2.0m (£1.7m). Pre-tax profit, £318,000 (£218,000). Earnings a share, 3.82p (2.6p). Interim dividend is 2.23p gross (1.49p gross).

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ake in Ashton venture

Australia's diamond lure

...alaysian Mining Corporation, which held ...per cent of the Ashton Joint Venture explor... for diamonds in Western Australia, is to ...er 40 per cent of its stake, amounting to 28 ...lion shares, to the public. The new invest...nt vehicle in the venture will be Ashton ...ning, holding 22.4 per cent of the venture, ...le Malaysian's local subsidiary, A O (Aus...ia), will have 4.6 per cent.

...his is the long awaited direct route into ...strali's hottest diamond prospect.

...ut what is causing investors, particularly in ...stralia, to drool is the terms in which the ...spectus apparently describes the geology of Ashton stake. The area is said to be com...able with the diamdiferous pipes of South-Africa and reminiscent of the best and ...gest pipes in South Africa itself. Altogether ...pipes have been detected, ranging from 114 ...nares to four hectares, and amounting at ...e end of July to 516 hectares.

...his is strong stuff indeed, sufficient, as one ...stralian stockbroker put it, to justify mort...ging your granny. Premier, South Africa's ...st famous diamond mine, has 18 hectares ...kimberlite pipes, Orapa in Botswana 106, and ...aneng, De Beers (most recent major develop...nt, 44 hectares. On the basic of the 173 ...ats found so far the average grade is 0.04 ...ats per metric ton—a very tentative figure—...ich compares with the early stages of South ...rican discoveries.

...shton is a complex animal, in which the ...jor interest is the 52.6 per cent held by ...nzinc Riotinto of Australia, itself 72.6 per ...t owned by Rio Tinto-Zinc. Malaysian Min... has 27 per cent, Tanganyika Concessions ...per cent, Sibeka 7 per cent, and Northern ...ning 5 per cent. Malaysian Mining's stake ...in fact held through its wholly owned sub...iary, Australian Oriental, and it is this 40 ...r cent of this holding which is being placed ...blicly.

The rest of Malaysian Mining's shares, 42 million in all, will be retained by that company and its subsidiary, London Tin. Malaysian Mining, in which Charter Consolidated has 28.6 per cent and therefore 7.72 per cent indirectly in Ashton, will also receive A$2.5m from Ashton for its stake.

At the issue price of 50 cents par, the deal puts a capital worth of A$130m on Ashton. By comparison, going through Northern Mining or CRA values Ashton about A$340m. Charter also has two indirect interests in diamond prospects in which Selection Trust is involved.

Such valuations are clearly unreliable exercises, but they do point to the facts that British investors will have to pay a heavy premium for buying indirectly, and that Australian investors will be paying a minimum of three times prospective earnings, before a single diamond has been sold. Still, if the geology is anywhere near as productive as the flotation supposes there can be little doubt that Ashton will be only the beginning of a mining boom to eclipse all previous ones. Ashton's articles of association allow it to raise the local equity to 51 per cent, so further even jucier share placements are in the offing.

Ashton Mining will be the safest of the undiluted ways into the CRA controlled Ashton venture, but it is still a high risk venture with perhaps up to another two years before it is known whether there will be a commercial mine.

Australian penny exploration stocks have already been rising fast this year on avid speculation, despite the efforts of CRA to stop the market running riot. However, Ashton Mining, with its respected backers of Charter Consolidated and MMC, is likely to unleash further speculative fever based on the tenor of its comments.

Michael Prest

Nicholas International at peak

Nicholas International, the ...stralian pharmaceutical and ...edical equipment manufac...rer, reported record sales and ...ofits for the year to June 30.

Operating profit rose by 13 ...r cent to A$4.8m (about ...8m) and sales were 12 per ...nt of last year at A$126.4m.

The United Kingdom and ...urope performed well with ...rance and Italy recovering ...rom previous losses, while the ...roup achieved outstanding pro...its in East Africa, Nigeria and ...ndia. Aspro-Nicholas, the ...itish wholly-owned subsidiary, ...ncreased pre-tax profits by ...2m to £7.4m on a turnover rise ...f £26m to £80m.

Briefly

The year's disappointment was the A$475,000 loss made by Watson Victor but action has been taken to ensure a return to profits according to chairman, L. G. Cuming. The total dividend is 7.5 cents a share against 7 cents last year.

PROVINCIAL INSURANCE

Pre-tax profit for half-year to end-June down from £2.98m to £1.68m and earnings a share from 18.4p to 10.67p. Interim dividend of 9.81p gross against 8.92p. General net written premiums £36.3m (£30.7m). Underwriting results: general business loss of £655,000 against profit of £872,000, life business profit £35,000 (nil), investment income £2.95m (£2.77m).

GRIMSHAWE HOLDINGS

Asper (a private company) acquired for £225,000 cash. At October 31, cash balances were £150,000 and pre-tax profits £117,000. Management accounts for the 10 months to August 31 indicate profits of £106,000.

BLACK & EDGINGTON

Scheme by which Black and Edgington is to acquire from J. F. Nash Securities the Gailey Caravan group, has been sanctioned by High Court. Completion will take place on October 4.

Business appointments

Changes in ICI agricultural division

Dr John W. Marshall has become fertilizer business area director of ICI Agricultural Division. He takes over from Mr George Morgan, who was appointed a deputy chairman of Agricultural Division on September 1, 1978.

Mr Peter J. Wright has been elected a director of Evode Holdings and chairman of the board. Mr A. H. Simon continues as vice-chairman and chief executive.

Mr Per Tamm has been appointed managing director of SKF Steel—Newport Pagnell.

Mr Brian Weedon has been made director, product planning, of the Perkins Engines Group.

Mr Peter Mayer becomes chief executive of Penguin Books, from October 1.

Mr J. M. Kretschmer, chairman and managing director of Reed and Mallik, has been appointed a director of Rush and Tompkins Group, responsible for the entire civil engineering division. Mr M. Whatley becomes local managing director of Reed and Mallik (South West Region). Mr P. J. Trew is to become chairman of Rush and Tompkins Homes with Mr A. Watson remaining as managing director. Mr D. S. Ferguson and Mrs Anne Cooper are joining the board. Mr G. Bushby is appointed a director and general manager of Yorkshire Homes, the group's timber products company.

Mr W. D. Deans is now joint managing director of Hunting Gate Group.

Mr Keith Jamieson is resigning as chairman and managing director of the Food Securities division of Associated British Foods, to devote the major part of his time to outside consulting activities. He will remain a director of Food Securities, but in a non-executive capacity. The new chief executive will be Mr Don Sanderson.

Mr Robert G. Lanyi is rejoining the board of Pacol after two years' service with an overseas associated company.

Mr Anthony J. Fisher is replacing Mr John V. Wilson as finance director of Benn Brothers, having relinquished his appointment as chairman and managing director of The Press at Coombelands. Mr Wilson is to become more involved in the continued development of the group's book publishing interests. He continues as chairman and managing director of Tolley Publishing and as finance director of Ernest Benn.

Mr T. W. Turner has been made a director of Executive Search.

Mr A. L. Davidson becomes assistant managing director of North Eastern Evening Gazette Ltd, Middlesbrough, part of Thomson Regional Newspapers.

Mr Hony Evans becomes marketing director of Systems Reliability, Luton.

Mr D. How becomes company secretary of Associated Leisure, with effect from November 1. He replaces Mr E. H. Rawlings who will be retiring. Mr B. Vail is resigning as assistant managing director of Associated Leisure Sales in order to concentrate on his personal interests. He will be succeeded by Mr N. C. Booth. Mr B. D. Cole has been appointed finance director of Associated Leisure Sales, Mr D. R. Wilcox has been appointed to the new post of technical director of Associated Leisure (Amusement Machines) and has resigned from the board of Associated Leisure Sales.

Manson Finance Trust

Highlights of the year ended 30th April 1978

* Record surplus of £612,675 before taxation.
* Increased total dividend of 3.5p net per share recommended.
* Acquisition of a banking company which offers a full range of banking facilities.
* Formation of new factoring company, Manson Factors Limited.
* "The substantial demand for the Group's services has been sustained into the present financial year..... and we can look forward with confidence to a year of continued progress."

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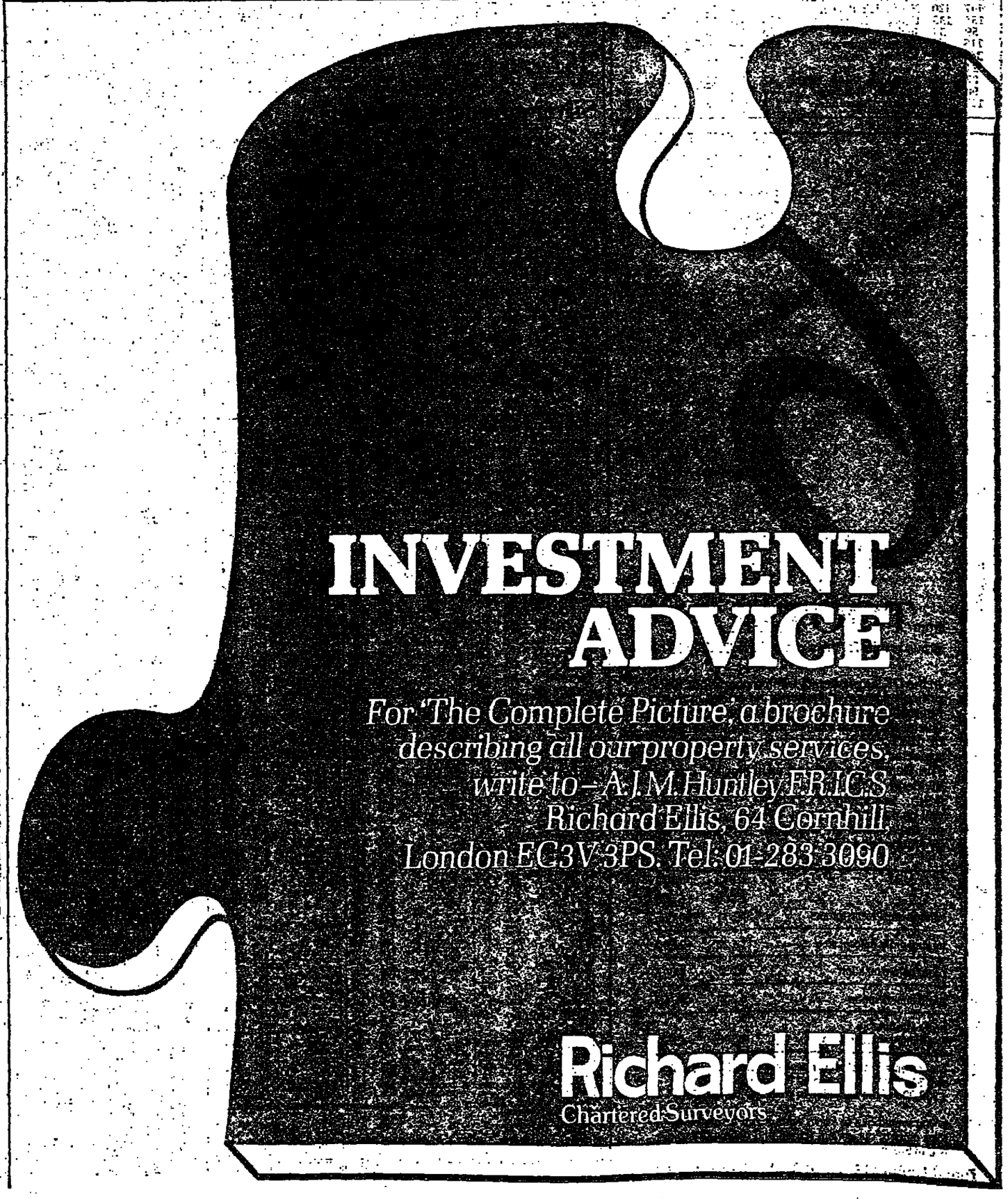
MANSON FINANCE TRUST LIMITED

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Automeric 12½p Cum Pfd (10)	14
Brandt C.D. 25p Ord (75)	80½
Camden Type Red 1985/92 Pfd	£50½
Carlton Superfoods 20p Ord (36)	53-5
Dalgety 10½% Cnv	3 prem-1
Hunting Petroleum Serv 25p Ord (85)	90-2
Jones (Ernest) 10p Ord (115)	163-1
Thomas Plywood 25p Ord (36)	36

	Latest date of result	
RIGHTS ISSUES		
Berlei Bandel (390*)	Oct 13	7 prem
Bell Printers (42*)	Nov 10	9 prem
C. H. Des Perroles (£110*)	—	20 prem
Delgety (262*)	Nov 17	36 prem
Dillard Smith (75*)	Oct 13	3 prem
Howden (Jas) (85*)	Nov 10	23 prem-1
Lin-Sand Midland (85*)	Oct 27	16 prem
Rainbow (60*)	Oct 27	7½
Reliance Knit (42*)	Oct 6	6 prem-1½
Wearwell (25*)	Nov 6	11 prem

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. # Issued by tender. † Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £20 paid. c £30 paid. d £50 paid. e £25 paid. f Fully paid. g £5 paid.



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MARKET REPORTS

Discount market

The Bank of England entered the market to mop up surplus liquidity yesterday, but even though the authorities sold a moderate amount of Treasury bills directly to the houses, there was still reckoned to be quite a considerable sum left in the system.

Despite this, the market was still pretty patchy.

Rates in the secured market opened in the region of 8¼ to 8½ per cent, fell away to about 6¾ per cent, but were up again at 7½ to 8 per cent at the finish.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10%
(Last changed 8/6/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 10%
Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: High 8½ Low 6¾
Week Fixed: 8½-8¾

Treasury Bills (Dis %)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	9	2 months	8⅞
3 months	9¼	3 months	9$\frac{3}{16}$

Prime Bank Bills (Dis %) Trades (Dis %)

2 months	9½-9⅜	3 months	9¾
3 months	9¼-9⅞	4 months	9¾
4 months	9⅞-9¾	6 months	9¾
6 months	9¾-9⅞		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	9¼-9⅛	7 months	9⅞-9¾
2 months	9¼-9⅛	8 months	9⅞-9¾
3 months	9½-9¼	9 months	10⅛-10
4 months	9⅝-9½	10 months	10¼-9⅞
5 months	9⅝-9½	11 months	10¼-9⅞
6 months	9¾-9⅝	12 months	10¼-9⅞

Secondary Mkt. ECD Rates (%)

1 month	8⅞-8¾	6 months	9$\frac{15}{16}$-9$\frac{13}{16}$
3 months	9$\frac{9}{16}$-9$\frac{7}{16}$	12 months	9$\frac{15}{16}$-9$\frac{13}{16}$

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	9¼	3 months	9½
7 days	9¼	6 months	9¾
1 month	9¼	1 year	10¼

Interbank Market (%)
Overnight: Open 9½ Close 7

1 week	9-8¾	6 months	9⅞-9¾
1 month	9½-9⅜	9 months	10$\frac{1}{16}$-9$\frac{15}{16}$
3 months	9$\frac{9}{16}$-9⅝	12 months	10⅛-10

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate %)
3 months 9¾ 6 months 10⅛

Finance House Base Rate 10½%

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	10%
Barclays Bank	10%
BCCI Bank	10%
Consolidated Crdts	10%
C. Hoare & Co	*10%
Lloyds Bank	10%
London Mercantile	10%
Midland Bank	10%
Nat Westminster	10%
Rossminster	10%
TSB	10%
Williams and Glyn's	10%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 6½%, up to £25,000, 7¼%, over £25,000 7¾%.

Foreign Exchange

After see-sawing throughout yesterday, the dollar closed lower following a mid-session boost from America's much-reduced trade deficit for August. Early on, the currency showed losses that partially stemmed from adverse factors like the United States railroad strike.

The Dmark closed at 1.9405 (1.9480) and Swiss francs at 1.4960 (1.4845) after some Swiss Bank intervention was noted. French francs ended at 4.3610 (4.3710).

Sterling's fortunes were geared to the dollar, and after fluctuating between 1.9790 and 1.9665, the closing level was 10 points easier at $1.9705. The currency basket average eased from 62.7 to 62.6.

The yen was little changed at 189.00 (189.10).

Gold lost $2 an ounce to close in London at $215.375.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) September 27	Market rates (close) September 27
New York	$1.9665-9790	$1.9700-9710
Montreal	$2.3125-3285	$2.3175-3185
Amsterdam	4.15-18½fl	4.15½-16½fl
Brussels	60.20-60f	60.25-35f
Copenhagen	10.56-83k	10.56-57k
Frankfurt	3.82-85m	3.82-83m
Lisbon	89.00-90.00e	89.50-90e
Madrid	142.70-143.40p	142.75-85p
Milan	1620-28lr	1620½-21½lr
Oslo	10.12½-20k	10.12½-13½k
Paris	8.58½-64f	8.59-60f
Stockholm	8.68½-72k	8.70½-71½k
Tokyo	370-78y	372-74y
Vienna	27.65-90sch	27.65-75sch
Zurich	2.92-97f	2.94½-95½f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was down 0.1 at 62.6.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.70-.60c prem	1.65-1.55c prem
Montreal	.70-.60c prem	2.05-1.95c prem
Amsterdam	1½-½c prem	4½-3½c prem
Brussels	20-10c prem	55-45c prem
Copenhagen	par-2ore disc	3¼-5¼ore disc
Frankfurt	2½-2¾pf prem	9½-8½pf prem
Lisbon	60-150c disc	200-450c disc
Madrid	25-125c disc	150-250c disc
Milan	7-10lr disc	13-17lr disc
Oslo	2¼-1ore prem	4-3ore prem
Paris	3¼-2¾c prem	8-7c prem
Stockholm	4-3ore prem	9¼-7¾ore prem
Vienna	17-7gro prem	40-30gro prem
Zurich	3½-2¾c prem	9½-8½c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $0.8497-0.8500.

Euro-$ Deposits

(%) calls, 8½-8¾; seven days, 8¾-8¾; one month, 8⅞-8¾; three months, 9⅛-9¼; six months, 9¾-10.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $217.15 (an ounce); pm, $214.8.
Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $222-224 (£112½-113½); resident, $224½-226½ (£114-115).
Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $59-61 (£30-31); resident, $62-64 (£31½-32½).

Eurosyndicat

The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was put provisionally at 141.33 on September 27 against 140.25 a week earlier.

Commodities

COPPER was firm cash wire bars putting on £3.75 while three months gained £6.75.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £740.50-41.50 a metric ton; three months, £759-760. Sales, 7,606. Cash cathodes, £739-730; three months, £748-48.50. Sales, 25 tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £735.50-36.00; three months, £754.50-55.00. Settlement, £736. Sales, 1,300 tons. Cash cathodes, £734.50-35.00; three months, £743.50-44.00. Settlement, £725. Sales, 1,325 tons.

SILVER was barely steady.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot 286.55p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 565.81); three months 293.7p (575.1c); six months, 301.7p (586.1c); one year 317.65p (609.4c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash 286.5-86.6, three months 293.6-93.8p. Sales, 28 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 286.8-87.0p; three months, 294.1-94.3. Settlement, 287p. Sales, 77 lots.

TIN regained some of Tuesday's losses. Standard cash put on £100 and three months gained £95.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £6,950-80 a metric ton; three months, £6,830-35. Sales, 300 tons. High grade, cash, £6,960-80; three months, £6,840-50. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £6,880-6,900; three months, £6770-75. Settlement, £6,900. Sales, 480 tons. High grade, cash, £6,880-6,900; three months, £6,780-6,800. Settlement, £6,900. Sales, nil tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M1,850 a picul.

LEAD was very steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £369-69.50 per metric ton; three months, £374.50-74.75. Sales, 3,050 tons. Morning.—Cash, £369-69.50; three months, £374-74.50. Settlement, £369.50. Sales, 4,050 tons.

ZINC was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £333.75-34.25 a metric ton; three months, £343.75-44.25. Sales, 2,400 tons. Morning.—Cash, £334.75-35.25; three months, £343-43.50. Settlement, £335.25. Sales, 3,500 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £142.60 ($281) a troy ounce.

RUBBER was quiet (pence per kilo).—Nov, 61.50-62.00; Dec, 62.40-62.80; Jan-March, 64.05-64.15; April-June, 66.55-66.60; July-Sept, 68.60-68.65; Oct-Dec, 70.60-70.65; Jan-March, 73.60-73.70; April-June, 74.65-74.75; July-Sept, 76.56-76.60. Sales, two lots at 5 tonnes; 329 at 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were quiet.—Spot, 60.75-62.00. Cifs, Nov, 61.50-63.15; Dec, 62.50-63.15.

COFFEE: Robustas were easier: arabicas were dull.—ROBUSTAS (£ per metric ton): Sep, 1,581-87; Nov, 1,525-28; Jan, 1,415-24; March, 1,330-35; May, 1,283-35; July, 1,250-55; Sep, 1,225-31. Sales: 1,013 lots including 45 options.

ARABICAS ($ per 50 kilos): Oct, 180-87. Rest unquoted. Sales, nil.

COCOA was easier (£ per metric ton).—Sep, 1,928-32; Dec, 1,950-57; March, 1,980-82; May, 1,995-97; July, 1,972-75; Sep, 1,945-60; Dec, 1,900-10. Sales: 7,075 lots including 30 options. ICCO prices: daily, 172.99c; 15-day average, 171.77c; 22-day average, 167.41 (U.S. cents per lb).

SUGAR: The London daily price of "raws" was unchanged at £107: the "whites" price was £2 lower at £109. Futures were steady (£ per metric ton).—Oct, 110.55-10.60; Dec, 111.55-11.65; March, 116.40-16.45; May, 118.70-18.75; Aug, 121.60-21.80; Oct, 124.50-24.75; Dec, 128.25-28.50. Sales: 5,150 lots. ISA prices: 8.58c. 15-day average 8.14c.

SOYABEAN MEAL steady (£ per metric ton).—Oct, 113.50-14.00; Dec, 114.40-14.50; Feb, 116.10-16.30; April, 117.50-17.70; June, 118.30-18.80; Aug, 117.50-21.00; Oct, 118-23.50. Sales: 40 lots.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—WHEAT.—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent: Sept, £92 Tilbury. US dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent: Sept, £83; Oct, £83; Nov, £84; Dec, £85.75 trans-shipment east coast. US hard winter 13½ per cent: Oct, £83.25; Nov, £84.25 trans-shipment east coast all sellers.

MAIZE:—No 3 yellow American/French: Sept, £101.50; Oct, £101.50; Nov, £99; Dec, £99.50 trans-shipment east coast sellers. South African white: Sept-Oct, £61.50 Glasgow. South African yellow: Sept-Oct £61.50 Glasgow sellers.

BARLEY.—English feed fob: Oct, £80; Nov, £81; Jan, £85 east coast sellers. All per tonne cif UK unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta).—EEC origin.—BARLEY was quiet: Nov, £79.80; Jan, £82.60; March, £85; May, £87.45. Sales: 39 lots. WHEAT was fully steady: Nov, £88; Jan, £90.65; March, £93.05; May, £95.60. Sales 301 lots.

Meat Commission: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on September 27.—GB: Cattle 66.51p per kg lw (−0.75). UK: Sheep 131.1p per kg est dcw (−6.3). GB: Pigs 64.3p per kg lw (−1.4). England and Wales: Cattle numbers down 14.4 per cent, average price 66.71p (−1.05). Sheep numbers down 17.3 per cent, average price 131.4p (−6.4). Pig numbers up 15.7 per cent, average price 64.3p (−1.4). Scotland: Cattle numbers 13.7 per cent, average price 67.94p (+0.23). Sheep numbers 36.9 per cent, average price 137.8p (−2.6). Pig numbers up 36.4 per cent, average price 63.1p (−3.1).

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

US STRAIGHTS ($)	Bid	Offer
Australia 8 1982	97¼	97¾
Austria 8½ 1990	99¼	99¾
Avco 9¼ 1986	99	99¾
Barclays 8¼ 1982	95½	95⅞
Beatrice 7¼ 1983	96	96½
Canadair 8½ 1983	97¼	97⅞
Canada Nat Railway 8⅞ 1986	95¾	96¼
CECA 9 1993	99½	100
Charbinnage de France 8½ 1981	98¼	98¾
Citicorp 8½ 1980	95¼	95¾
Citicorp 7 1981	94¼	95
DFC New Zealand 8¼ 1983	95¾	96¼
DFC New Zealand 8½ 1985	95¾	96¼
Dow Chemical 8 1986	94½	95
EEC 7¾ 1979	98¼	98¾
EEC 8½ 1982	97¼	97¾
EIB 8 1984	95½	96
EIB 9½ 1993	98½	99¼
Elf-Aquitaine 8¾ 1985	95¼	95¾
Eurofina 8½ 1988	95¾	96¼
IC Industries 9 1985	98¼	99
ITEL 9¼ 1988	99	99¼
IU 8½ 1987	95¼	95¾
MacMillan Bloedel 9¼ 1993	98	98½
Midland Bank 8¾ 1992	96¼	97¼
NCB 8 1987	93¼	93¾
Nat West 9 1986	101¼	101¾
New Zealand Forest Products 9 1986	98¾	99¼
Newfoundland 9¼ 1990	99¼	99¾
Nordic Invest Bank 8¾ 1988	97¼	97¾
Norsk Hydro 7¾ 1983	95¼	95¾
Norway 7¾ 1983	95¼	95¾
Offshore Mining 8¼ 1985	95¼	95¾
Occidental 8½ 1983	96	96½
J. C. Penney 8¾ 1983	98¼	98¾
Quebec Hydro 9½ 1993	99½	100
Renault 8¾ 1981	98¼	98¾
R. J. Reynolds 7¾ 1982	96¾	97¼
Shell 8¼ 1990	95¼	95¾
Tauernautobahn 8¼ 1987	97	97½
CANADIAN DOLLARS		
Avco 9¾ 1983	96¾	97¼
Ford 8¾ 1984	96¼	96¾
General Motors 9¾ 1988	98	98½
Royal Bank of Canada 9 1992	98¼	98¾
Union Carbide 9¾ 1986	98½	99

FLOATING RATE NOTES	Bid	Offer
Chase Manhattan 9 13/16 1993	97¾	98¼
Intl Westminster 8 1984	99¼	99¾
Midland 9 7/16 1993	98¼	99
Offshore Mining 9 7/16 1986	98¾	99¼
Williams & Glyns 9¾ 1984	99¾	100
CONVERTIBLES		
American Express 4¾ 1987	82½	84
Babcock & Wilcox 7 1992	151½	153½
Beatrice Foods 4¼ 1993	99½	101
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	114½	116
Beecham 6½ 1992	116½	117¾
Boots 6½ 1993	100	101
Borden 5 1992	96½	98
Broadway Hale 4¾ 1987	74	75½
Carnation 6 1988	76½	78
Dart 4¾ 1987	82½	84
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	86	87¼
Economic Labs 4¾ 1987	81½	83
Firestone 5 1988	75	76½
Ford 5 1988	84	85½
General Electric 4¼ 1987	86	87½
Gillette 4¾ 1987	76½	78
Gulf & Western 5 1988	87½	89
Harris 5 1992	225	227
Honeywell 6 1986	85½	87
ICI 6¾ 1993	96¼	97¾
INA 6 1997	98½	100
Inchcape 6¾ 1992	114	115½
ITT 4½ 1987	78	79½
Jusco 6 1992	147	148
Komatsu 7½ 1990	152½	153½
J. Ray McDermott 4¾ 1987	159	161
Nabisco 5½ 1988	105	106½
Owens Illinois 4½ 1987	118	119½
J. C. Penney 4½ 1987	75½	77
Revlon 4¾ 1987	132½	134
Reynolds Metal 5 1988	86	87½
Sperry Rand 4¼ 1987	98	99½
Squibb 4¾ 1987	82½	83
Texaco 4¾ 1988	76½	78
Texas Int Airlines 7¾ 1993	98½	99½
Toshiba 6¾ 1992	138	140
Tyco 8½ 1988	104½	105½
Union Carbide 4¾ 1982	87½	89
Warner Lambert 4½ 1987	81½	83
Warner Lambert 4¾ 1988	75½	77
Xerox 5 1988	75½	77

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
74	29	Airsprung Ord	74	+1	5.5	7.4	9.8
203	106	Airsprung 18% ULS	190	—	18.5	9.7	—
46	25	Armitage & Rhodes	46	—	3.6	7.8	8.3
180	105	Bardon Hill	177	−1	12.0	6.7	9.6
143	51	Deborah Ord	141	—	5.6	3.9	8.7
240	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	240	—	17.5	7.2	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	131	—	12.4	9.4	5.2
154	135	George Blair	154	—	15.0	9.7	5.7
59	36	Jackson Group	59	+2	5.0	8.4	6.9
116	55	James Burrough	115	—	6.5	5.7	10.6
340	188	Robert Jenkins	310	—	29.7	9.6	5.1
24	9	Twinlock Ord	21	—	—	—	18.8
82	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	82	+2	12.0	14.6	—
90	54	Unilock Holdings	90	+3	7.4	8.2	9.7
122	67	Walter Alexander	122	+2	7.2	5.9	7.5

Wall Street

New York, Sept 27.—Stock prices on the New York Stock Exchange fell sharply today, giving up an early gain as interest rate worries overcame early buying on a smaller-than-expected trade deficit report and a declining dollar.

The Dow Jones industrial average retreated 7.97 points to 860.19 after giving up an early advance.

About 975 issues declined with 500 rising. Volume totalled 28,500,000 shares.

Brokers noted that the market began to give up its early gains as the dollar turned back from its affirmative response to a smaller-than-expected trade deficit in August.

The government said the deficit last month was $1,620m, compared with forecasts of well over $2,000m. It was the lowest figure since last June.

They also explained that investors were already nervous over steady recent rises in a broad spectrum of interest rates.

Silver advances 4.50 cents

New York, Sep 27.—COMEX SILVER futures gained more than 4.50 cents at the close on failure of the dollar to add strength on Senate approval of legislation to deregulate natural gas prices. Oct, 567.30c; Nov, 571.10c; Dec, 575.90c; Jan, 578.90c; March, 587.40c; May, 596.10c; July, 605.10c; Sept, 614.20c; Dec, 628.40c; Jan, 633.10c; March, 642.60c; May, 653.30c; July, 662.10c. Handy and Harman of Canada Can $6.617 (previous Can$6.666).

GOLD Near the close of dealings, the spot gold price for London delivery climbed to $218-218.50 from $215.70-216.20. NY COMEX, Oct, $219.00; Nov, $220.70; Dec, $222.30; Feb, $225.90; April, $229.50; June, $233.10; Aug, $236.70; Oct, $240.40; Dec, $244.20; Feb, $248.00; April, $251.90; June, $255.90. CHICAGO IMM, Dec, $222.50-222.10; March, $227.50-227.70; June, $232.90-233.10; Sept, $238.90; Dec, $244.50; March, $249.50 bid; June, $253.00 bid.

COPPER futures closed steady between 60 and 85 points up. Oct, 65.30c; Nov, 66.55c; Dec, 67.15c; Jan, 67.65c; March, 68.65c; May, 69.60c; July, 70.50c; Sept, 71.40c; Dec, 72.65c; Jan, 73.05c; March, 73.80c; May, 74.55c; July, 75.30c.

SUGAR futures in No 11 contract were: Oct, 8.79-80c; Jan, 8.90-95c; March, 9.10-12c; May, 9.27-28c; July, 9.45-46c; Sept, 9.63c; Oct, 9.74c; Jan, 9.70-10.00c.

COTTON. Futures were: Oct, 63.20-29c; Dec, 65.35-55c; March, 67.50-80c; May, 68.90-9.00c; July, 69.25c; Oct, 65.70-90c; Dec, 65.90c; March, 66.40-60c.

COFFEE futures in "C" contract were: Dec, 149.05-25c; March, 138.75-9.10c; May, 131.75-2.25c; July, 127.00-75c; Sept, 128.00c asked; Dec, 120.00-3.50c.

COCOA.: Futures posted net losses of 4.15 to 1.55 cents. Dec, 166.85c; March, 166.45c; May, 165.40c; July, 163.65c; Sept, 161.65c; Dec, 158.25c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS.—Meal futures ended up $1.00 to $1.50 a ton. Oil prices were 0.27 to 0.08 cents higher. SOYABEANS.—Nov, 652¼-51¾c; Jan, 660-59¾c; March, 668-67¾c; May, 672½-73c; July, 673½-73c; Aug, 667c.

SOYABEAN OIL.—Oct, 25.55-50c; Dec, 25.00-24.95c; Jan, 24.75-70c; March, 24.45-50c; May, 24.25c; July, 24.05c; Aug, 23.70c.

SOYABEAN MEAL.—Oct, $170.00-169.00; Dec, $173.00-3.20; Jan, $174.60-4.50; March, $176.20-6.00; May, $177.20-7.30; July, $178.30; Aug, $178.80.

CHICAGO GRAINS: WHEAT: Dec, 343¾-¼c; March, 338¾-¾c; May, 333¾-¼c; July, 323c; Sept, 326c; Dec, 332c bid. CORN: Dec, 223¾-¼c; March, 235¾-33¼c; May, 238½-39c; July, 241¾-¼c; Sept, 243¾c; Dec, 247¾c. OATS: Dec, 144¾c; March, 151¼-¼c; May, 153¼c; July, 153c.

	Sept 27	Sept 26
Allied Chem	35½	36
Allied Stores	26¾	26⅝
Allied Supermkt	2¾	2¾
Allis Chalmers	34½	34¾
Alcoa	44¾	46⅛
Amax Inc	49⅝	49⅞
Amerada Hess	31⅝	32
Am Airlines	16⅝	17
Am Brands	50⅝	51
Am Broadcast	55½	57⅛
Am Can	38⅜	38⅝
Am Cyanamid	29⅛	29½
Am Elec Power	23	23⅛
Am Home	29⅝	30
Am Motors	6⅛	6
Am Nat Res	45½	45⅜
Am Standard	47⅝	46⅞
Am Telephone	61½	61⅝
AMF Inc	20⅞	21
Armco Steel	20⅝	20⅞
Asarco	15⅝	15⅜
Ashland Oil	45¼	45⅝
Atlantic Richfield	52⅞	53¾
Avco	28⅝	29⅛
Avon Products	54⅝	55⅞
Babcock & Wcox	59⅝	59⅝
Bankers Tst NY	36	36⅜
Bank of America	26⅞	27⅛
Bank of NY	35⅝	35⅝
Beatrice Foods	26⅝	26½
Bell & Howell	20⅛	20⅜
Bendix	39⅜	39⅝
Bethlehem Steel	23½	23½
Boeing	63	64⅝
Boise Cascade	31½	31½
Borden	28⅝	29⅛
Borg Warner	31⅝	32
Bristol Myers	34½	35⅜
BP	17⅞	17⅞
Burlington Ind	19⅛	19⅞
Burlington Nthn	43⅝	43⅞
Burroughs	76⅞	77⅝
Campbell Soup	35⅞	36
Canadian Pacific	19⅝	19⅞
Caterpillar	59⅞	59⅝
Celanese	46⅞	45⅞
Central Soya	14¾	14⅝
Charter NY	32⅝	32⅝
Chase Manhat	33½	33½
Chem Bank NY	41⅞	41⅝
Chesapeake Ohio	29⅞	29½
Chrysler	12⅛	12
Citicorp	26	26⅛
Cities Service	53⅞	53½
Clark Equip	37⅝	37⅞
Coca Cola	43⅝	43⅝
Colgate	20⅞	20⅞
CBS	56½	57⅛
Columbia Gas	28⅛	28
Combustion Eng	39⅛	39⅜
Comwlth Edison	26½	26⅝
Cons Edison	24⅛	24⅛
Cons Foods	23⅝	24
Cons Power	24	23⅝
Continental Grp	31⅛	31½
Continental Oil	28⅝	29⅛
Control Data	38½	38⅛
Corning Glass	58½	58⅞
CPC Intnl	50⅞	51
Crane	33⅜	33
Crocker Int	28⅛	28½
Crown Zeller	34⅛	34⅜
Dart Ind	43⅝	44⅛
Deere	35⅜	35
Del Monte	43½	44
Delta Air	49½	50⅝
Detroit Edison	15⅛	15⅛
Disney	41	41⅛
Dow Chemical	27⅜	27⅛
Dresser Ind	43⅝	44
Duke Power	19⅛	19⅛
Du Pont	126⅞	128⅞
Eastern Air	13	13⅛
Eastman Kodak	58⅝	62⅝
Eaton Corp	39⅛	39⅝
El Paso Nat Gas	17½	17⅛
Equitable Life	20⅝	20⅞
Esmark	26⅞	27⅛
Evans P. D.	22½	23⅞
Exxon Corp	51⅞	51⅞
Fed Dept Stores	34⅝	36⅛
Firestone	13⅛	13½
Fst Chicago	22⅞	22½
Fst Nat Boston	30⅛	30⅜

	Sept 27	Sept 26
Fst Penn Corp	15⅞	16⅛
Ford	45⅛	45⅝
GAF Corp	13⅞	14⅛
Gamble Skogmo	33⅞	33⅞
Gen Dynamics	81½	83⅞
Gen Electric	52⅞	53⅞
Gen Foods	32⅞	33⅝
Gen Mills	28⅞	30⅛
Gen Motors	62⅞	62⅞
Gen Pub Util NY	18⅛	18⅛
Gen Tel Elec	29⅞	30⅛
Gen Tire	28⅛	28⅞
Genesco	6⅛	6
Georgia Pacific	29½	29⅞
Getty Oil	39⅞	40
Gillette	31⅞	31⅛
Goodrich	20⅛	20⅛
Goodyear	17⅛	17⅛
Gould Inc	31⅛	31⅝
Grace	29⅛	29⅛
Gt Atlic & Pacific	7⅛	7⅛
Greyhound	13⅝	13½
Grumman Corp	19⅛	19⅝
Gulf Oil	25⅛	25⅝
Gulf & West	14⅛	14⅝
Heinz H. J.	41⅞	41⅞
Hercules	16⅝	16½
Honeywell	64⅞	66⅛
IC Inds	29⅞	30
Ingersoll	60	60⅞
Inland Steel	37⅛	37½
IBM	275	281
Int Harvester	39⅝	40⅛
INCO	16⅛	16⅞
Int Paper	44⅝	44⅞
Int Tel Tel	31⅛	31⅜
Jewel Co	23½	24
Jim Walter	32⅞	33⅜
Johns-Manville	31½	31⅞
Johnson & John	82⅛	82⅞
Kaiser Alumin	34⅞	35
Kennecott	26⅛	26⅞
Kerr McGee	46⅝	46⅞
Kimberly Clark	45	45⅛
Kraftco Corp	48⅞	48⅞
K Mart	27⅞	27⅞
Kroger	32½	33
Liggett Group	34⅛	34⅞
L.T.V. Corp	9⅝	10⅛
Litton	24⅞	24⅞
Lockheed	28⅛	29⅛
Lucky Stores	16½	16½
Manuf Hanover	38	38⅛
Mapco	34⅞	34⅞
Marathon Oil	52½	52⅞
Marine Midland	16⅛	16⅛
Martin Marietta	31	32⅞
McDonnell	31⅞	31⅞
Mead	30⅛	31⅛
Memorex	48½	51⅛
Merck	58½	59⅛
Minnesota Mng	58⅛	59½
Mobil Oil	69⅛	70
Monsanto	56½	57⅞
Morgan J. P.	47⅞	48⅛
Motorola	45⅞	45⅞
NCR Corp	59⅞	60⅞
NL Industries	20⅞	21
Nabisco	27⅞	27⅞
Nat Distillers	21⅝	21⅞
Nat Steel	30⅞	31
Norfolk West	28⅛	28⅛
NW Bancorp	27⅞	28
Norton Simon	18⅛	19⅛
Occidental Pet	19⅛	19⅞
Ogden	30⅞	30⅞
Olin Corp	15⅞	16
Owens-Illinois	22⅛	21⅞
Pacific Gas Elec	23⅛	23⅞
Pan Am	8⅛	8⅛
Penney J. C.	35½	37⅞
Pennzoil	31⅛	31⅛
Pepsico	28⅞	29⅛
Pfizer	35⅞	36⅛
Phelps Dodge	24⅛	24⅛
Philip Morris	71⅛	73⅛
Phillips Petrol	34½	35
Polaroid	47⅞	49⅞
PPG Ind	29⅛	29⅞
Proctor Gamble	86⅞	87⅞
Pub Ser El & Gas	23⅛	23⅞
Pullman	44⅞	44
Rapid American	15⅛	15⅛

	Sept 27	Sept 26
Raytheon	47⅝	48
RCA Corp	29	29½
Republic Steel	25⅛	25⅞
Reynolds Ind	61	61⅛
Reynolds Metal	34	35⅛
Rockwell Int	35⅞	35½
Royal Dutch	63⅞	63⅞
Safeways	43⅞	43⅛
St Regis Paper	31⅞	32⅛
Santa Fe Ind	34⅛	35
SCM	21⅞	21⅞
Schlumberger	87	88⅛
Scott Paper	15⅞	16
Seaboard Coast	33½	34⅞
Seagram	25	26⅛
Sears Roebuck	22⅛	22⅛
Shell Oil	35½	36⅞
Shell Trans	46⅛	46⅞
Signal Co	50⅝	51⅞
Singer	17⅞	18
Sony	8	7⅞
Sth Cal Edison	26½	26⅞
Southern Pacific	31½	31½
Southern Rly	54⅞	54½
Sperry Rand	44	44⅛
Std Brands	27⅛	27⅛
Std Oil Califnia	46⅛	46½
Std Oil Indiana	52⅛	52⅞
Std Oil Ohio	38⅞	38½
Sterling Drug	16⅛	16⅝
Stevens J. P.	16⅛	16⅛
Stude Worth	61⅞	62½
Sunbeam Corp	22½	22⅛
Sun Comp	44	43⅞
Teledyne	96⅞	100⅛
Tenneco	31⅛	31⅛
Texaco	24⅞	24⅞
Texas East Corp	38⅞	38½
Texas Inst	85⅞	86⅛
Texas Utilities	20⅛	20⅛
Textron	30⅛	30½
TWA	24⅞	25⅞
Travelers Corp	38	38⅞
TRW Inc	37⅛	38⅛
UAL Inc	38	38⅛
Unilever Ltd	46	46
Unilever NV	60	63⅞
Union Bancorp	26⅞	26⅞
Union Carbide	38⅛	39⅛
Union Oil Calif	54⅛	53⅞
Un Pacific Corp	52⅛	51⅞
Uniroyal	7⅞	7⅞
United Brands	13⅛	13½
US Industries	8⅛	8⅛
US Steel	26⅛	26⅛
Utd Technol	43	43⅞
Wachovia	19	19⅛
Warner Comm	48⅛	48⅞
Warner Lambert	26⅝	27⅛
Wells Fargo	28	29½
West'n Bancorp	41⅞	41⅞
Westinghse Elec	21⅛	21⅛
Weyerhaeuser	29⅛	29⅛
Whirlpool	23⅞	23⅛
White Motor	13⅛	13⅛
Woolworth	21⅛	21⅛
Xerox Corp	54	55
Zenith	16⅛	16½

Canadian Prices

Abitibi	18	17⅞
Alcan Alumin	37⅞	38⅛
Algoma Steel	24½	24⅛
Bell Telephone	61⅞	61½
Cominco	32⅛	31⅞
Cons Bathurst	35	34
Falconbridge	30½	30⅛
Gulf Oil	33	33⅛
Hawker/Sid Can	8.86	8.88
Hudson Bay Min	21	20⅛
Hudson Bay Oil	42	42
Imasco	36⅛	36
Imperial Oil	23½	23⅛
Int Pipe	17⅛	17⅛
Mass.-Ferguson	13⅛	13½
Royal Trust	19	19
Seagram	31⅛	31⅞
Steel Co	26½	26⅛
Talcorp	11	11
Thomson N 'A'	24⅞	24⅛
Walker Hiram	37	36⅛
WCT	11½	11½

* Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 1.9760 (1.9665); three months, 1.9523 (1.9489); Canadian dollar, 84.72 (84.70).

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trading profit before interest	11,828	12,030
profit before taxation	8,038	8,837
profit after taxation	4,852	4,716
profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	4,395	4,559

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J. A. ROSS,
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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Regulation 10(1) of the Civil Aviation (Investigation of Accidents) Regulations 1969, that an Inspector's investigation under the said Regulations is taking place into the circumstances and causes of the accident that occurred on 10 September 1978 at Waterloo Farm, North Wick, nr. Bristol to a Rockwell Commander 114, Registration HB-CCM registered in the name of Industrie-Leasing SA, Zurich.
Any persons who desire to make representations as to the circumstances or causes of the accident should do so in writing to the Chief Inspector of Accidents, Accidents Investigation Branch, Department of Trade, Kingsgate House, 66-74 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6SD within 14 days of this notice and should quote the reference EW/C6377/01.
Dated this 28th day of September, 1978.

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The Charity Commissioners propose to make an ORDER of their own motion under Section 20 of the Charities Act, 1960, appointing and removing trustees of this charity. Copies of the draft Order may be obtained from them (ref: 277432-A1-L1) at 14 Ryder Street, London, SW1Y 6AH. Objections or suggestions may be sent to them within one month from today.

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Ref: S3730/AA

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LEGAL NOTICES

Re: MIDLCO Limited and the COMPANIES ACT, 1948.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above named Company will be held at 76 New Cavendish Street, London, W1M 8AH on Tuesday, the 14th day of October, 1978 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.

Dated this 21st day of September, 1978.

ROBERT STEWART YATES
Director

THOMAS HANKIN Limited The Companies Act, 1948 I, PETER RICHARD COPP, Chartered Accountant at Messrs Stoy, Hayward & Partners, 44 Baker Street, London W1M 1DJ, give notice that I was appointed Liquidator in the above matter on the 14th September, 1978. All debts and claims should be sent to me at the above address.

P. R. COPP
Liquidator.

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Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria

Ministry for Energy and the Petrochemical Industry

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LEGAL NOTICES

Re: DONCOURT Limited (In Liquidation) (In Voluntary Liquidation) and the COMPANIES ACT, 1948.

Notice is hereby given that the CREDITORS of the above named Company are required on or before Friday, 3rd November, 1978 to send their names and addresses and particulars of their debts or claims to the undersigned Ian Peter Phillips, FCA at 76 New Cavendish Street, London, W1M 8AH the LIQUIDATOR of the said Company and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator are to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time or place as shall be specified in such notice or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated this 21st day of September, 1978.

IAN PETER PHILLIPS, FCA
Chartered Accountant
Liquidator

Re: RICHARD KITCHENS Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation) and the COMPANIES ACT, 1948.

Notice is hereby given that the CREDITORS of the above named Company are required on or before Friday, 2nd November, 1978 to send their names and addresses and particulars of their debts or claims to the undersigned Bernard Phillips, FCA, at 76 New Cavendish Street, London W1 the LIQUIDATOR of the said Company and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator are to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time or place as shall be specified in such notice or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such Debts are proved.

Dated this 19th day of September, 1978.

BERNARD PHILLIPS
Chartered Accountant

Re: KINGFISHER HOMESTEADS Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation) and The Companies Act, 1948.

Notice is hereby given that the CREDITORS of the above named Company are required on or before Friday, 3rd November, 1978, to send their names and addresses and particulars of their Debts or Claims to the undersigned Bernard Phillips, F.C.A., at 76 New Cavendish Street, London, W.1 the LIQUIDATOR of the said Company and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator are to come in and prove their said Debts or Claims at such time or place as shall be specified in such notice or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such Debts are proved.

Dated this 21st day of September, 1978.

BERNARD PHILLIPS,
Chartered Accountant.

In the Matter of THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1948 to 1976 and in the Matter of HOBBS BADGER Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation).

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above named Company will be held at the Offices of W. H. Cork, Gully & Co., Chartered Accountants, of Guildhall House, 81/87, Gresham Street, London, EC2V 7HS, on Wednesday, the 18th day of October, 1978, at 11.45 a.m. It be followed at 12 noon by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidator's Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-Up to date.

Dated this 22nd day of September, 1978.

O. N. MARTIN,
Liquidator.

In the Matter of THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1948 to 1976 and in the Matter of JOHN SWALE Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation).

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above named Company will be held at the offices of W. H. Cork, Gully & Co., Chartered Accountants, of Guildhall House, 81/87 Gresham Street, London, EC2V 7HS, on Friday, the 27th day of October, 1978, at 11.45 a.m. to be followed at 12 noon by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidator's Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-Up to date.

Dated this 18th day of September, 1978.

M. A. JORDAN,
Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of STATUS DEVELOPMENTS Limited. Nature of Business: Builders, Contractors and Decorators.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 31st July 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 11th October 1978, at Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of MITRELOSS Limited, T/A WEBSTER BUILDERS. Nature of Business: Builders and Building Contractors.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 31st July 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 11th October 1978, at Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of SHINY STEP Limited, formerly Nems Enterprises Nature of Business: Entertainment Agency.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 31st July 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 11th October 1978, at Room C20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock.

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Broadcasting Guide

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PERSONAL CHOICE



›r Howard and Deborah Kerr in tonight's feature film: a Dark Stranger (BBC 2, 9.00).

›norrow's World, the BBC's long-running science series for ›man, has predicted some astonishing things in its time. ›w of its prognostications, surely, can be more astounding ›he one it offers tonight which is, in effect, that in 10 ›time, Britain will have a reliable postal service. According ›s Utopian vision, letters will be delivered directly inside ›omes, instantaneously, efficiently and untouched by human ›Full details at 6.55 tonight. This edition of Tomorrow's ›i sees the swan song of William Woollard after his ›year stint on the programme. He brought verve to his role ›e will be missed. His replacement is Keiran Prendiville, ›rly one of the presenters of That's Life.

›very high price indeed was paid for tonight's filmed ›t by Nick Downie on the bush war between the Rhodesian ›and the guerillas (ITV, 8.30). Mr Downie's partner in the ›g, Lord Richard Cecil, was standing only a few yards ›when he was shot in the chest by a guerrilla. He died of ›ounds, but Mr Downie carried on filming. He says of ›ht's TV Eye item: "I think I have caught an insight not ›into the war in Rhodesia—but into the nature of war ›"

›rust you are not writing off the television schools ›ammes as suitable only, or mainly, for students. There is ›utely no reason, for instance, why the BBC's current ›part adaptation of Sean O'Casey's The Plough and the ›should not find an honourable slot in the evening schedules. ›s an outstanding cast, headed by T. P. McKenna as Fluther, ›ian McKenna as Mrs Burgess and Doreen Keogh as Mrs ›an. Part one is repeated at 2.14 on BBC 1 this afternoon.

›e present re-run of The Good Life comedies (BBC 1, 8.00) ›s me happy and sad; happy to see comedy writing and ›ng of such a high quality, sad to think that no more of these ›rban masterpieces will be made.

›night's edition of Kaleidoscope (Radio 4, 9.30) is a strong ›Ballet is represented by a review of the Sadler's Wells Royal ›t tribute to Dame Ninette de Valois, choreographed by ›neth Macmillan. The new work is titled 6.6.78, the date of ›fabulous lady's 80th birthday, and it had its world premiere ›e Wells on Tuesday night. Cinema is represented by The ›Sleep, the new film of the Chandler novel, in which, for ›unaccountable reason, the action has been transplanted ›California to London.

›T THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO; * BLACK AND WHITE; ›REPEAT.

TELEVISION

BBC 1

6.40 am, Open University (until 7.55): 6.40, Polymerization; 7.05, Microbiology; 7.30, Evolution of an Ocean.
9.41, For Schools, colleges (until 12.20): 9.41, Merry-Go-Round (r); 10.03, Scan (r); 10.25, Mathshow (r); 11.00, Scene; 11.30, Hyn o Fyd; 11.55, Bellamy—on Botany.
12.35 pm, On the Move: repeat of last Sunday's programme to help viewers with reading problems.
12.45, News and weather.
1.00, Pebble Mill: with an item on a new ultra-sonic scanner which can help spot possible defects and deformities in babies while still in the womb.
1.45, Mister Men: Mr Dizzy and Mr Greedy (r).
2.00, You and Me: featuring lines and circles.
2.14, For Schools, colleges (until 3.00): The Plough and the Stars, part 1 (r); 2.45, Encounter Germany. (See Personal Choice.)
3.55, Play School: Jean Hickson's story The Fabulous Hat.
4.20, Help! It's the Hair Bear Bunch: cartoon (r).
4.40, Rentaghost: high spirited comedy series.
5.05, John Craven's Newsround: junior newsreel.
5.10, Blue Peter: how to groom your cat and give it a chance of winning next month at Olympia.
5.40, News, with Kenneth Kendall.
5.55, Nationwide: nightly magazine.
6.55, Tomorrow's World: a scientific look-ahead. (See Personal Choice.)
7.20, Top of the Pops: Dave Lee Travis is tonight's MC.
8.00, The Good Life: Tom talks to his plants, then plays music to them. Music preoccupies Margot, too, but not in the same way. (See Personal Choice.)
8.30, Mastermind: Tonight's selected subjects are: Sergei Prokofiev, Thomas Jefferson, English history 1603-1660 and papal enclaves 1799-1878.
9.00, News, with Kenneth Kendall.
9.25, Most Wanted: crime squad series. Tonight, an ex-convict conducts a trial in an hijacked airliner.
10.15, Holiday on Ice: refrigerated versions of the Faust ballet music and a Victorian Christmas.
11.05, Tonight: how top East European athletes on anabolic steroids can slip through the drug test net.
11.45, Weather, regional news.
BBC1 Variations: Wales: 2.14 pm, Hwnt ac Yma; 6.55, Heddiw. 11.46, Snooker. SCOTLAND: 9.41 am, Let's See. 11.30, Living in Scotland.

BBC 2

6.40, Open University (until 7.55): Sizwe Bansi is dead; 7.30, White Collar Workers.
11.00, Play School: same as BBC 1, 3.55.
2.15 pm, Racing from Ascot: Today's line-up is: 2.30, Diadem Stakes; 3.05, Hoover Fillies Mile; 3.40, Cumberland Lodge Stakes; 4.10, Clarence House Stakes.
4.55, Open University (until 7.00): Identical Particles; 5.20, Education Technologique; 5.45, The Composer and his Audience; 6.10, Non-linearities; 6.35, Where is Wales?
7.00, News, with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.
7.05, The British Connection? A profile of the town of Crossmaglen, on the Ulster Republic border (r).
7.30, News and weather.
7.35, Expert Opinion: The subject is: Schools—are we Learning? Speakers are two comprehensive school headmasters and Dr William Taylor, director of the Institute of Education.
8.00, When the Boat Comes In: Jack Ford is poised to join the boss-class, but Bill Seaton has an accident. Repeat of the Tyneside family saga.
8.50, Anne Shasby and Richard McMahon: These two pianists play Chabrier's Valse Romantique No 3.
9.00, Film: I See a Dark Stranger (1946).* Deborah Kerr and Trevor Howard in a comedy thriller. Miss Kerr is the Irish girl caught up with German agents. Mr Howard is a British officer for whom she changes sides.
10.50, News and weather.
11.05, Roots, Rock, Reggae: seventeen reggae numbers in Jeremy Marre's film about a musical revolution in the West Indies. It was shot in Jamaica and won the 1977 Italian Film Festival award and the 1978 Lausanne Film Festival award.
12.00, Closedown: Edwin Muir's The Labyrinth is read by Peter Barkworth (r).

THAMES

9.30, For Schools (until 12.00). 9.30, Stop, Look, Listen; 9.44, Good Health, 10.04, My World—real life (dentistry). 10.16, Picture Box, 10.33, The English Programme, 11.00, Writer's Workshop, 11.22, Seeing and Doing, 11.39, French Studies.
12.00, Topper's Tales: Julian Orchard writes and tells some stories inspired by an American collection published early in this century. The pictures are by Peter Parr.
12.10, Hickory House: more games and stories for children.
12.30, Moneywise: Scottish Television's new series which helps to disperse family finance headaches. Today: hints for the self-employed.
1.00, News, with Peter Sissons.
1.20, Thames News; local roundup.
1.30, Crown Court: The jury's verdict in a stabbing case.
2.00, After Noon: Mavis Nicolson talks to Anthony Howard and Peregrine Worsthorne about the past month's news topics.
2.25, The Bass Player and the Blonde: the original play that sired the three-part series. The bass player is Edward Woodward, the blonde Jane Wymark.
3.50, The Sullivans: Australian family story (continued).
4.20, Film: The Purple Mask (1955) Tony Curtis in a swash-buckling costume drama. He robs the guillotine of noblemen. Gene Barry and Colleen Miller co-star.
5.45, News.
6.00, Thames at Six: Andrew Gardner is in the Chair.
6.35, Crossroads: secrets in the surgery.
7.00, The Six Million Dollar Man: Thriller series. A plot to snatch an atom bomb.
8.00, George and Mildred: George almost finds a job. Another in the domestic comedy series.
8.30, TV Eye: filmed report on the Rhodesian Army in action. (See Personal Choice.)
9.00, The Sweeney: Flying Squad series. A robber slips off a roof to his death. His chum reflects on advancing middle-age. So does Detective Inspector Regan.
10.00, News.
10.30, You Lie so Deep, My Love: made-for-TV film (1974) about a husband (Don Galloway) hungry for his wife's money and his girlfriend's love. Walter Pidgeon is in the cast.
11.55, What the Papers Say: Andrew Alexander parliamentary sketch writer of the Daily Mail looks at the week's news.
12.15, Close: Pictures of Finland, music of Sibelius.

RADIO

Radio 4

6.00 am, News, weather.
6.10, Farming Today.
6.30, Today.
8.45, Antigua, Penny, Puce (4).
9.00, News.
9.05, These You Have Loved.
10.00, News.
10.05, From Our Own Correspondent.
10.30, Daily Service.
10.45, Morning Story: The Oklahoma Kid.
11.00, News.
11.05, Down Your Way visits Spalding, Lincs.
11.45, The Youngest Daughter: Nithiakalyani Moodley.
12.00, News.
12.02 pm, You and Yours.
12.27, I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue †
1.00, World at One.
1.30, The Archers.
1.45, Woman's Hour.
2.45, Listen with Mother.
3.00, News.
3.05, Play: No Ice on the Wall by David H. Godfrey.
4.00, News.
4.05, Jack De Manio Precisely.
4.35, Story: Jane and Prudence (9).
5.00, PM Reports.
5.40, Serendipity.
5.55, Weather.
6.00, Six O'clock News.
6.30, Top of the Form (2) West of England.
7.00, News.
7.05, The Archers.
7.20, Checkpoint.
7.45, The Road to Sullom Voe: oil terminal.
8.30, "I" and "We". Jewish New Year discussion.
8.45, Analysis: Soviet Power in the 1980s.
9.30, Kaleidoscope.
9.59, Weather.
10.00, The World Tonight.
10.30, Any Answers? Listeners' letters.
11.00, Story. Rogue Male (4).
11.15, Financial World.
11.30, News, weather.
VHF: Regional News, weather at 6.50 am, 7.50, 12.55 pm, 5.55. Schools at 9.05 am, 10.45 and 2.00 pm.

Radio 3

6.55 am, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.05, Concert: Ravel, Moszkowski, Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Chabrier.† 8.00, News. 8.05, Concert: Haydn, Cerny, d'Albert, Mendelssohn.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Schubert, mono.† 9.50, Northern University Concert, part 1: Telemann, Druce, Bach.† 10.35, In Short, Talk. 10.45, Concert, part 2: Steinitz, Forqueray, Bach, Rameau.† 11.35, Viola and Piano: Flackton, Kiel, Hummel.† 12.15 pm, Boston Symphony Orchestra: Bach concert, part 1.† 1.00, News. 1.05, Boston SO, part 2.† 1.45, Der Wildschutz, Lortzing, Act 1.† 2.45, Words ... Talk. 2.50, Der Wildschutz (continued) Act 2. 3.45, Interval Reading. 3.55, Der Wildschutz. Act 3. 4.35, Leeds International Piano Competition 1978.† 5.45, Homeward Bound. 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound. 6.30, Lifelines: The Wider World. 7.30, Grieg, concert, part 1.† 8.15, Espionage in the 20th Century (1). 8.35, Grieg, part 2.† 9.35, Play: The Ant Killers by Severo Sarduy. 10.25, Alban Berg String Quartet. Concert: Wolf, Lutoslawski.† 11.00, Schubert and Brahms Songs.† 11.45, News. 11.50-11.55, Schubert Song.
RADIO 3 VHF: Open University, 6.00 am, 5.45 pm.

Radio 2

5.00 am, News, weather.
5.02, Tony Brandon.†
7.32, Terry Wogan.†
10.02, Jimmy Young.†
12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk.
12.30, Pete Murray's Open House.†
2.30, David Hamilton†; Ascot Racing.
4.30, Waggoners' Walk.
4.45, Sports.
4.47, John Dunn.†
6.45, Sports, racing results.
7.02, Country Club.†
9.02, Folkweave.†
9.55, Sports.
10.02, The 78 Show (quiz).
10.30, Star Sound Extra.
11.02, Brian Matthew.
12.00, News, weather.
2.00-2.02 am, News, weather.

Radio 1

5.00 am, As Radio 2. 7.02, Dave Lee Travis. 9.00, Simon Bates. 11.31, Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm, Peter Powell, including National Pop Panel. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 7.30, Country Club (joins Radio 2).† 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00-2.02 am, As Radio 2.

VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am, With Radio 2. 10.00 pm, With Radio 1. 12.00-2.02 am, With Radio 2.

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Westward

9.30 am, Thames. 12.27 pm, Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 12.30, Thames. 1.20, Westward News. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, The Little House on the Prairie. 5.15, Gambit. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.35, Thames. 7.30, The Incredible Hulk. 8.30, Thames. 10.28, Westward News, weather. 10.30, Andy Williams Show. 11.00, Film: Pray for the Wildcats (Andy Griffith, William Shatner). 12.35 am, Faith for Life. 12.40, Close.

Southern

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News, weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Lassie. 4.45, Beachcombers. 5.15, Undersea Adventures of Captain Nemo. 5.20, Thames. 6.00, Day by Day. 6.30, University Challenge. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, A Model's Dream. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Southern News. 10.35, People Rule! 11.05, Quincy. Snake Eyes, part 2. 12.05 am, Papers. 12.25, Weather. From Prison to Pulpit. Close.

Anglia

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Lassie. 4.45, The Flintstones. 5.15, Emmerdale Farm. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.20, Arena. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, The Six Million Dollar Man (Part 2). 8.00, Thames. 10.30, The Cuckoo Waltz (r). 11.00, Film. It Couldn't Happen To a Nicer Guy (Paul Sorvino, Michael Learned, Adam Arkin). 12.25 am, The Living Word. Close.

Scottish

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, News, Weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Tarzan (r). 5.15, Batfink. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, Garnock Way. 7.00, Laverne and Shirley. 7.30, The Rag Trade. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Something Special: Scottish Chamber Orchestra. 11.15, Late Call. 11.20, Streets of San Francisco, Karl Malden, Michael Douglas. 12.15 am, Close.

Grampian

9.25 am, First Thing. 9.30, Thames. 1.20 pm, Grampian News. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, The Little House on the Prairie. 5.15, Gambit. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Grampian Today. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, The Bionic Woman. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Reflections. 10.35, Sports. 11.15, Grampian News. 11.20, The Practice. 11.50, Close.

Tyne Tees

9.25 am, The Good Word. North East News. Weather. 9.30, Thames. 1.20 pm, North East News. Lookaround. Weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00p Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Film: Abbott and Costello Go To Mars. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Northern Life. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Laverne and Shirley. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Sounds of Britain: Music Hall. 11.00, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 11.45, Epilogue. 11.50, Close.

Border

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Border News. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Film. Huckleberry Finn (Ron Howard, Jack Elam, Donny Most). 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Lookaround. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Father Dear Father. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Jazz Concert. 11.00, Chopper Squad. 11.55, Border News, Weather. 11.58, Close.

Channel

9.30 am, Thames. 1.18 pm, Channel News. What's On, Weather. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Little House on the Prairie. 5.15, Gambit. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Channel News, Weather. 6.10, Lassie. 6.35, Thames. 7.30, The Incredible Hulk. 8.30, Thames. 10.28, Channel News, Weather. 10.32, Andy Williams' Show. 11.00, Film: Pray for the Wildcats. 12.35 am, News, Weather (French). Close.

Granada

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, This Is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Code R. 5.10, What's New. 5.15, Thames. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Emmerdale Farm. 7.00, Charlie's Angels. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, What's On. 11.00, Papers. 11.20, Barnaby Jones. 12.15 am, Close.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Jabberjaw. 4.45, Little House on the Prairie. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Calendar. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Father Dear Father. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, The Love Boat. 11.30, Concert: Sutherland Brothers. 12.00, Close.

Ulster

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime. 1.30, Thames. 4.18, Ulster News. 4.20, Take a Bow. 4.45, Lassie. 5.15, Cartoons. 5.20, Thames. 6.00, Reports. 6.25, Police Six. 6.35, Happy Days. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, England Their England. 8.00, Thames. 8.30, This Week. 9.00, Thames. 10.30, Counterpoint. 11.00, The Practice. 11.25, Bedtime. 11.35, Close.

ATV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, ATV Newsdesk. 1.30, Thames. 3.56, Professor Balthazar. The Thief of Baghdad (Steve Reeves, Georgia Moll). 5.45, Thames. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, A Model's Dream. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Gardening. 11.00, Film: The Gun (Stephen Elliott). 12.30 am, Close.

HTV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Report West. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Take a Bow. 4.45, The Flintstones. 5.15, Job-line. 5.20, Thames. 6.00, Report West. 6.15, Sport West. 6.30, Happy Days. 7.00, Charlie's Angels. 8.00, Thames. 10.35, Gallery. 11.05, Film: McCoy—New Dollar Day (Tony Curtis, Roscoe Lee Browne). 12.45 am, Weather. Close.

9.44 am, About Wales. 1.20 pm, Penawdau Newyddion y Dydd. 1.25, Report Wales. 4.20, Miri Mawr. 4.30, Wsitbethma. 5.15, Cartoons. 6.00, Y Dydd. 6.15, Report Wales. 6.30, Sports. 10.00, Report Wales. 10.35, Image '87. 11.05, Who Zat Kid? 12.30 am, Weather, close.

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BOSTOCK.—On September 26th at U.C.H. to Kate (nee Shaw) and Hugh—a daughter.

CORDERY.—On September 24th at the John Radcliffe, Oxford, to Claudia Saint-Germes, wife of Michael—a daughter (Jessica Kate).

GILLHAM.—On September 19th at Norfolk and Norwich Hospital to Christine (nee Gregory) and Christopher—a daughter (Clare Elizabeth), a sister for Robert.

GOWAN.—On 20 September, at Helsinki, to David and Marna—a son (Richard Vernon).

HALLEY.—On 26th Sept., at Queen Elizabeth II Hospital, Welwyn Garden City, to Barbara and Colin—a daughter (Eleanor).

HARRAP.—On September 23rd at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, to Rosemary (nee Good) and Keith—a son (Edward George), brother for Alexander and Nicholas.

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MARRIAGES

BURNETT : WOODER.—Keith William to Rachel Hilary Ann, on 22nd September at Richmond, Surrey.

FORREST : BAILLIE-GROHMAN.—On Sept. 23, at St. Peter's Church, Hascombe, David, son of the late Mr. and Mrs R. A. Forrest, of Fordham, Essex, and Henrietta, daughter of Lieut. Cdr. and Mrs. T. P. Baillie-Grohman, of Hascombe, Surrey.

GAGE : KENRICK.—On September 22 at Cambridge, Dr. John Gage, of Mannington, Norfolk, and Penelope Jane Kenrick, daughter of John and Rosemary Kenrick.

REYNOLDS : PAWLE.—The marriage took place quietly at All Saints Church, Harston, Cambridgeshire, on Saturday, September 23, of Mr. Robert Ian Reynolds, of Harston, to Miss Elizabeth Ann Pawle, of Wilmslow, Cheshire. From October 2 at 107 High Street, Harston.

ROAF : ROSS.—On Monday 25th of September, at Oxford, Michael Douglas Roaf, son of Douglas Roaf, Woodstock Rd, Oxford, and Susan Claire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. A. Ross, of The Elms, Everton, Sandy.

WAY : BAKER.—The marriage took place on Saturday, 23rd September, at Saint Georges Church, West Grinstead, between Mr Ian Way, only son of Dr and Mrs. Geoffrey L. Way, of Lodsworth, Sussex, and Miss Jane Baker, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Baker, of Moat Farm, Partridge Green, Sussex.

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DEATHS

BATCHELDER.—On 26th September, 1978, at St. Thomas' Hospital, London, peacefully in her 75th year after short illness, Mrs. Margaret Batchelder, M.B.E., retired from Colonial Nursing Service as Colony Matron, North Borneo, after earlier service in the Gold Coast, Bahama Islands, and Aden. Funeral at Lambeth Crematorium, Blackshaw Rd., S.W.17, on Tuesday, October 3rd, at 2.30 p.m. Flowers and enquiries to W. H. Whiley & Son, 108 North Cote Rd., S.W.11. Telephone 01-223 1786.

BULLSTT.—On September 26th, at Hereford, as the result of an accident, Julian Richard, aged 20, dearly loved son of Douglas and Cecily, brother of Michael and Andrew. Funeral, Chipping Barnet Parish Church, Friday, September 29th, at 13.30 p.m. Flowers to J. A. Clark & Son Ltd., 103 Wood Street, Barnet, before 11.30 a.m., please, or donations to Intensive Therapy Unit, Hereford County Hospital.

CRIPPS.—On Sept. 21st, 1978, at the Regional Hospital, Limerick, Geraldine Hilda Elizabeth, wife of Colonel D. S. Cripps, Rathgonan, Askeaton, County Limerick. No letters please.

HARRISON.—On Sept. 26th, 1978, at Blandford Forum, Dorothy H. Lovell, very peacefully, aged 85, elder daughter of the late George Lovell and Florence Harrison and sister of Joyce Lovell Green, of Clifton, Blandford Forum. Cremation at Bournemouth on Monday, Oct. 2nd, at 3 p.m.

KIENEL.—On September 23rd at Cintra Nursing Home, Putney, peacefully after short illness, Joseph Dominic Kienel, M.P.S., Aged 95, managing director of A. Maitland & Co. Ltd, Piccadilly, Father of Cynthia and John. Requiem mass St. Simons Stock, Putney, Monday, 2nd October, 10 a.m., followed by burial at Putney Vale. Enquiries to Ashton, 01-788 1750.

LIGHTALL, WILLIAM (BILL).—In early September at Vancouver, B.C., Canada. Ex R.A.F. Formerly of Chelsea Cloisters.

LINDSAY-PARKINSON.—On Tues., Sept 26th, 1978, after a prolonged illness, John, son of the late Sir Albert Lindsay-Parkinson, M.P., will be laid to rest at Callander beside his dearly loved wife, Marjorie. Service at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Callander, at 12 noon on Fri., 29th Sept.

LYDE.—On 26th September at Little Spigot, West Witton, Yorks., Lt.-Colonel Wilfred Edward Lyde, O.B.E., aged 84 years. Dearly loved husband of Audrey (Cooper Lyde). Service at Wensley Church on Friday, 29th September at 2 p.m., followed by interment at the cemetery. No letters or flowers please. Donations if desired to the St. John of God's Hospital, Scorton.

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DEATHS

MILLER.—On Sunday, September 24th, 1978, in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, Kathleen Gordon (Kay) (nee Halliday), of 31 Kings Road, Berkhamsted, dearly beloved wife of Donald and dear mother of Anne. Funeral service in Berkhamsted School Chapel at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3rd, followed by private cremation at Amersham. Flowers or donations for the Haematology Research Fund, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, to R. Metcalfe, Funeral Directors, 234 High Street, Berkhamsted.

NEWTH.—On September 27th at his home in Shepton Montague, Somerset, Brigadier Arthur Leslie Walter Newth, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., T.D., D.L., J.P., in his 82nd year, late of the Gloucestershire Regiment, husband of Ruth and father of Janet, Peter and Rodney. Most dearly loved by all his family. Funeral Service at St. Peters Church, Shepton Montague, on Sat., 30th September, at 2.30 p.m. Flowers and enquiries to Messrs. O. W. Clarke, Bruton, Somerset. Bruton 3327.

RICHARDSON.—On September 25th Maurice Lane, peacefully. Funeral at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on Friday, 12 noon.

SANDELL, CHARLES FREDERIC HINSBY, M.B.E., Major, Rtd., The Rifle Brigade, of Georgetown, South Australia, on 10th September, at his residence. Beloved husband of Margaret, loved father of David and Judith, grandfather of Virginia, Jonathan and Heather.

SHOTT.—On September 25th, 1978, SISTER MARY CHRISTINE, C.S.M.V., at St. Mary's Convent, Wantage. Requiem Mass 9.15 a.m., Monday, October 2nd at the Convent.

STADDEN, JANE (nee Kidner) of Morue Mousehole, on 15th September, 1978, in West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance, aged 68 years. Much loved and missed by her many friends.

STRASSER.—On Wednesday, Sept. 27th, suddenly, in hospital, James Robert Antal (Jani), in his 77th year, greatly mourned by his son, Imre, all connected with Glyndebourne and many friends world-wide. Funeral strictly private. No flowers. Donations to Parkinson's Disease Society.

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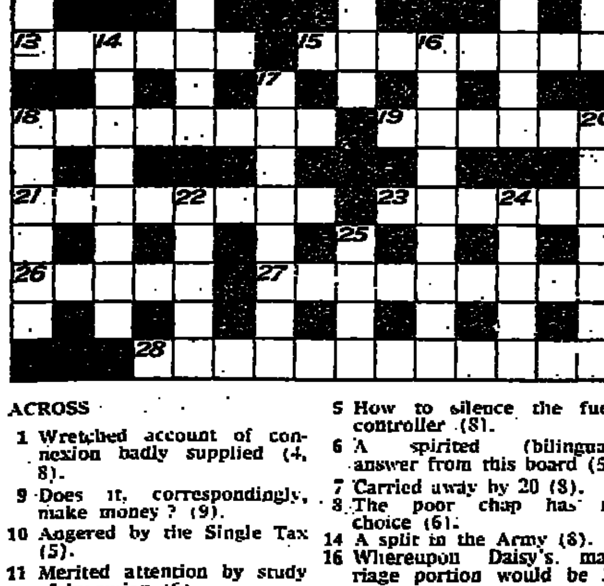
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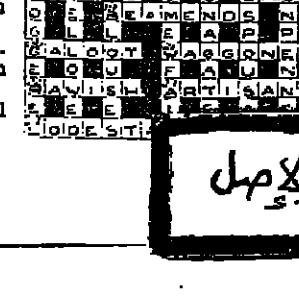
ACROSS

1 Wretched account of connexion badly supplied (4, 8).
9 Does it, correspondingly, make money ? (9).
10 Angered by the Single Tax (5).
11 Merited attention by study of inversion (6).
12 Cooking with gas ? (8).
13 Plants border in southern enclosures (6).
15 Old playboy Arrowsmith (8).
18 Piety in the West Country has nothing to back it (8).
19 Observed, some say, to have acted as mercenary (6).
21 Flimsy rags, some in shreds (8).
23 Animal using tracks to cross snow (6).
26 Originated as a sore problem (5).
27 Acknowledging entry permit (9).
28 One-two, knock on the floor ? (4, 3, 5).

DOWN

1 Considers it's the end in Greater London (7).
2 Animal of higher degree (5).
3 Stand in for theatre put on Ernest's make-up (9).
4 They're open for oral examination (4).
5 How to silence the fuel-controller (8).
6 A spirited (bilingual) answer from this board (5).
7 Carried away by 20 (8).
8 The poor chap has no choice (6).
14 A split in the Army (8).
16 Whereupon Daisy's marriage portion would be 50 per cent (3-6).
17 Future estimate about filling in woodland (8).
18 Pursue mother's principles (6).
20 Take lamp away ? It's a pleasure (7).
22 New leader detailed is a girl (5).
24 Overcharge for beer, nothing less (5).
25 Uninhabited Arab territory ? (4).

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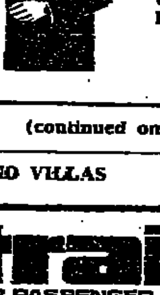
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